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I SEE.

SO THE PERSON BEHIND THE PHONE

WAS AN OLD FRIEND OF YOURS?

IT'S BEEN A WHILE FOR YOU BOTH.

SO? HOW DID THE REUNION GO?

THEN,

BUT RIGHT NOW WE SEEM TO AGREE ON A COMMON ENEMY.

BACK THEN, THERE WAS ONE TIME WHERE HE WAS SETUP BY SHIGOKU AGAINST ME.

SHUN,

YOU DON'T SOUND CONVINCED BY THAT PROPOSAL.

JUN PROPOSED TO ME

TO HELP HIM WITH HIS REVENGE WITHIN TWO WEEKS FROM NOW.

YEAH...

IT'S...

I

MOST LIKELY A TRAP.

A TRAP?

WHAT MADE YOU JUMP TO THAT CONCLUSION?

SIX YEARS AGO.

WHEN I WAS ARRESTED BY THE POLICE.

SHIGOKU AND HIS GOONS LEFT THE SITE WITHOUT A TRACE.

JUN GOT ESCORTED BY SHIGOKU'S GOONS.

BY THAT TIME...

AND FOR THAT REASON, HE WOULDN'T JUST LET THAT OPPORTUNITY SLIP BY AND USED JUN TO SERVE HIS PURPOSE.

SHIGOKU...

IS THE KIND OF PERSON WHO WOULD GO THAT FAR TO TORMENT ME.

IS NOW LONG GONE.

IT'S LIKELY THAT THE JUN I'VE KNOWN...

EH?

THAT'S WHY...

I CAN'T AFFORD TO BE SENTIMENTAL WITH HIM ANYMORE.

SHUN...

SERI-OUSLY?

BEEP

BEEP

I PLANTED A GPS TRACKER ON JUN.

KITAMI!

THAT'S SO COOL! THIS FEELS LIKE A HOLLYWOOD MOVIE!

WITHIN THE TWO WEEK TIME FRAME.

SO WE CAN OBSERVE HIS BEHAVIOUR

I'M SORRY, I'M SORRY.

YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN ACTING SO IM-MATURE, DOC.

JUN STARTED CALLING OUR NUMBER...

THE SAME DAY KANAME CAME TO OUR OFFICE...

PLUS...

KANAME

brated my Birthday!

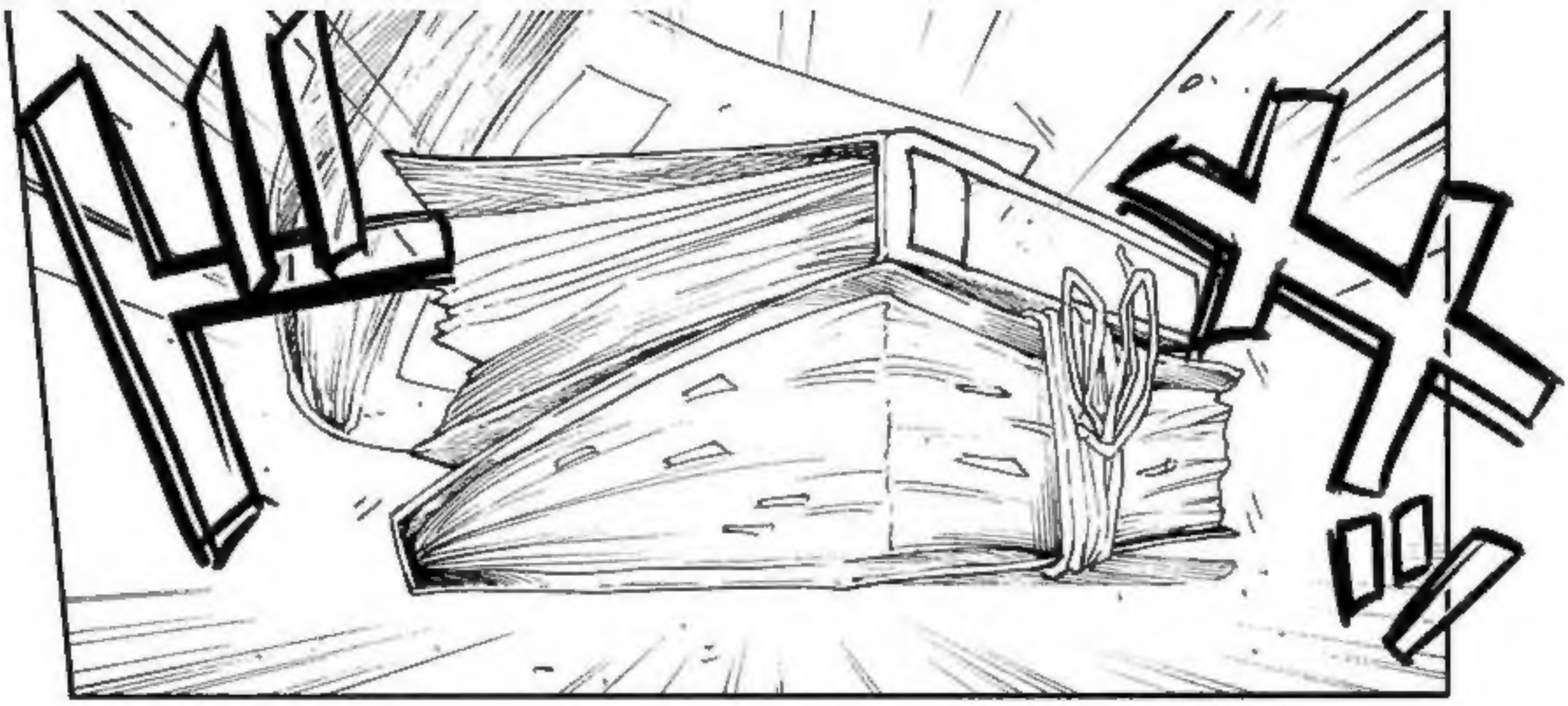
rats name!

THAT KANAME LOOKED DRASTICALLY DIFFERENT IN THE PAST.

SOME-THING...

HAS BEEN GOING ON BEHIND THE SCENES.

BUT I CAN'T EXACTLY PINPOINT IT...




WITH ALL THE INVESTIGATIONS BEING CONDUCTED AROUND THEM.

A LIST OF NAMES THAT HAVE WENT MISSING FROM THE PAST 2 YEARS.

UM...

WHAT'S THIS FOR...?

WE COULD WEED OUT THE "JUUJIKA" HYPOCRITE WITH THOSE FILES.

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SO I'D LIKE YOU TO SEARCH INTO ANY SUSPICIOUS INDIVIDUALS FROM THERE.

LET'S DO THIS !!

I'LL TREAT YOU TO SOME BARBEQUE AFTER THIS.

FINE BY ME THEN!

WAIT, I'M THE ONLY ONE DOING THIS...?

SHOULD I START OFF WITH THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE GARNERED A BAD REPUTATION FOR THEMSELVES?

IF "JUUJIKA'S" TARGETS ARE SUPPOSEDLY "THE BAD PEOPLE"...

?

...HUH?

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THESE FACES...

THEY LOOK FAMILIAR....

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AW, MAN.

HE'S ONTO US.

THE TRACKER HAD BEEN MOVING FOR THE FIRST THREE DAYS

UNTIL IT SUDDENLY STOPPED RIGHT HERE.

ARE YOU SURE IT DIDN'T STOP BLINKING DUE TO TECHNICAL REASONS...?

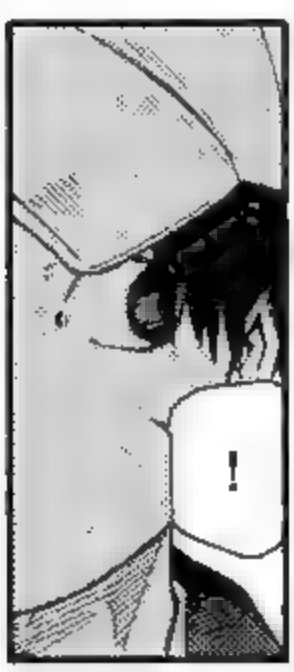
COULD THERE BE SOME CLUES AROUND THERE?

THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYTHING SUSPICOUS FROM THE 3 DAY INTERVAL.

HE WAS PROBABLY BEING CAUTIOUS RIGHT OFF THE BAT.

IN ANY CASE...

I'LL JUST SURVEY THE PLACE MYSELF.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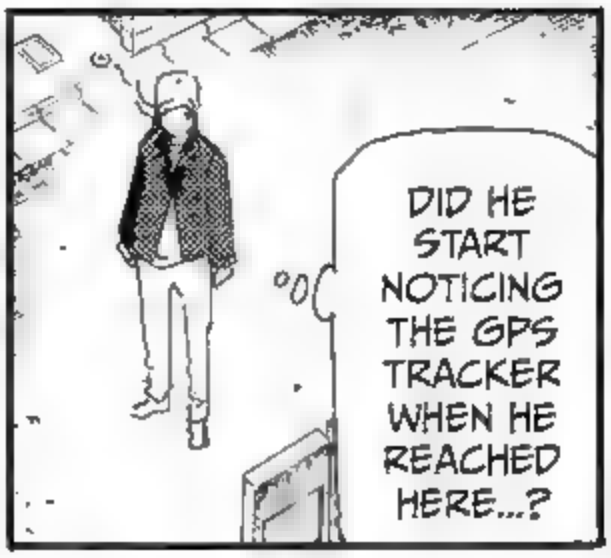
DID HE START NOTICING THE GPS TRACKER WHEN HE REACHED HERE...?

SO THIS IS WHERE THE SIGNAL DIED OUT?

I'M...

MATSUSHIMA KANAME.

OMATSUSHIMA○

MATSUSHIMA...

COULD THAT BE....

YES...?

I'LL JUST HAVE TO RECONFIRM THIS NOW...

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IS KANAME HOME?

IS THIS HER FATHER?

SHE'S MY FRIEND FROM UNI-VERSITY.

AND WHO COULD YOU BE?

OHHH! I SEE!

OUR UNIVERSITY ASSIGNMENTS TOGETHER.

WE MADE A PROMISE TO FINISH

ANYWAY! COME INSIDE FOR A BIT!

BUT I THINK SHE'LL BE BACK IN THE EVENING.

WELL, SHE'S CURRENTLY NOT HOME RIGHT NOW.

MAY I ASK WHERE SHE IS AT THE MOMENT...?

PARDON MY IN-TRUSION.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

MASTER?

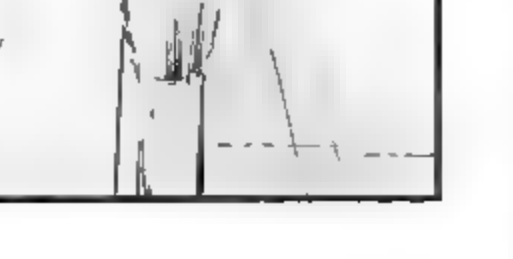
KANAME CURRENTLY

?

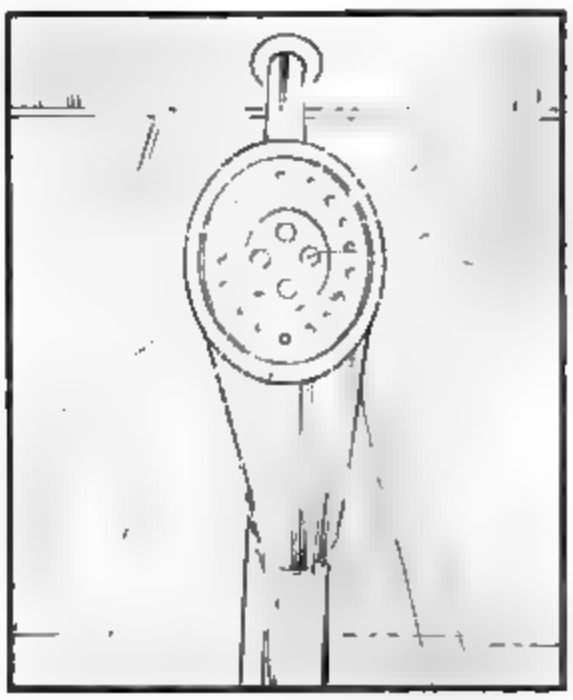
AND WHY DID HE CALL HIM MASTER?

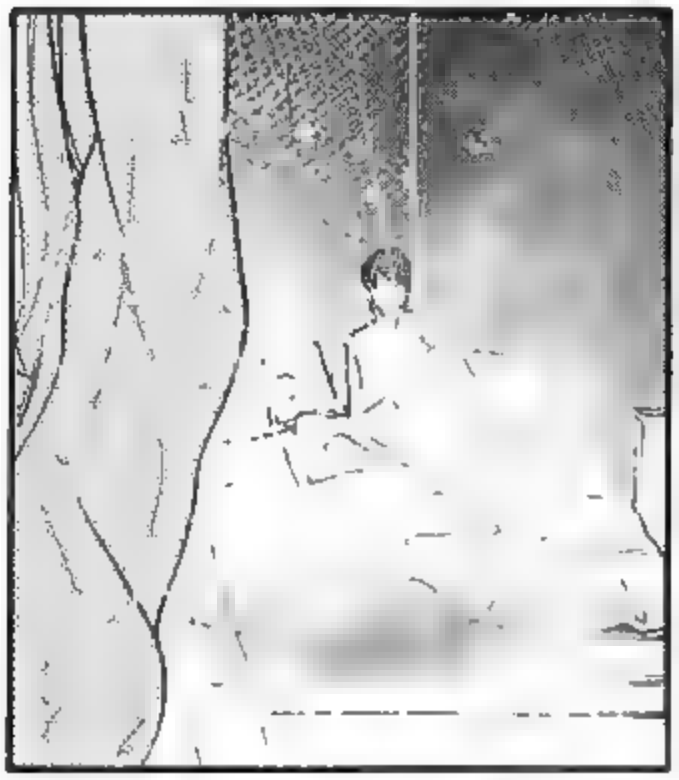
IS HE TALKING ABOUT THAT MORAL-HARASSING BOYFRIEND?

HAS TO SETTLE SOME BUSINESS WITH HER "MASTER".


SURE.


I'LL...
GO TAKE A SHOWER.





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URUMAN.

SHITANO KANAME (30)

WENT MISSING TWO YEARS AGO.

A GRADUATE AT HER LOCAL COLLEGE.

PART-TIMER AT A SUPER-MARKET.

ATTENDED A *REVOLUTIONARY CLUB* SEMINAR WHEN SHE WAS 28 YEARS OLD.

BEFORE GOING MISSING TWO YEARS LATER.

*WHAT...*

*IS ALL THIS SUPPOSED TO MEAN?*

THEIR FACES
LOOK EXACTLY ALIKE!!
HOW MANY KANAME'S ARE THERE?! NEXT CHAPTER: URUMA LEARNING THE TRUTH OF THE MATSUSHIMA HOUSEHOLD!



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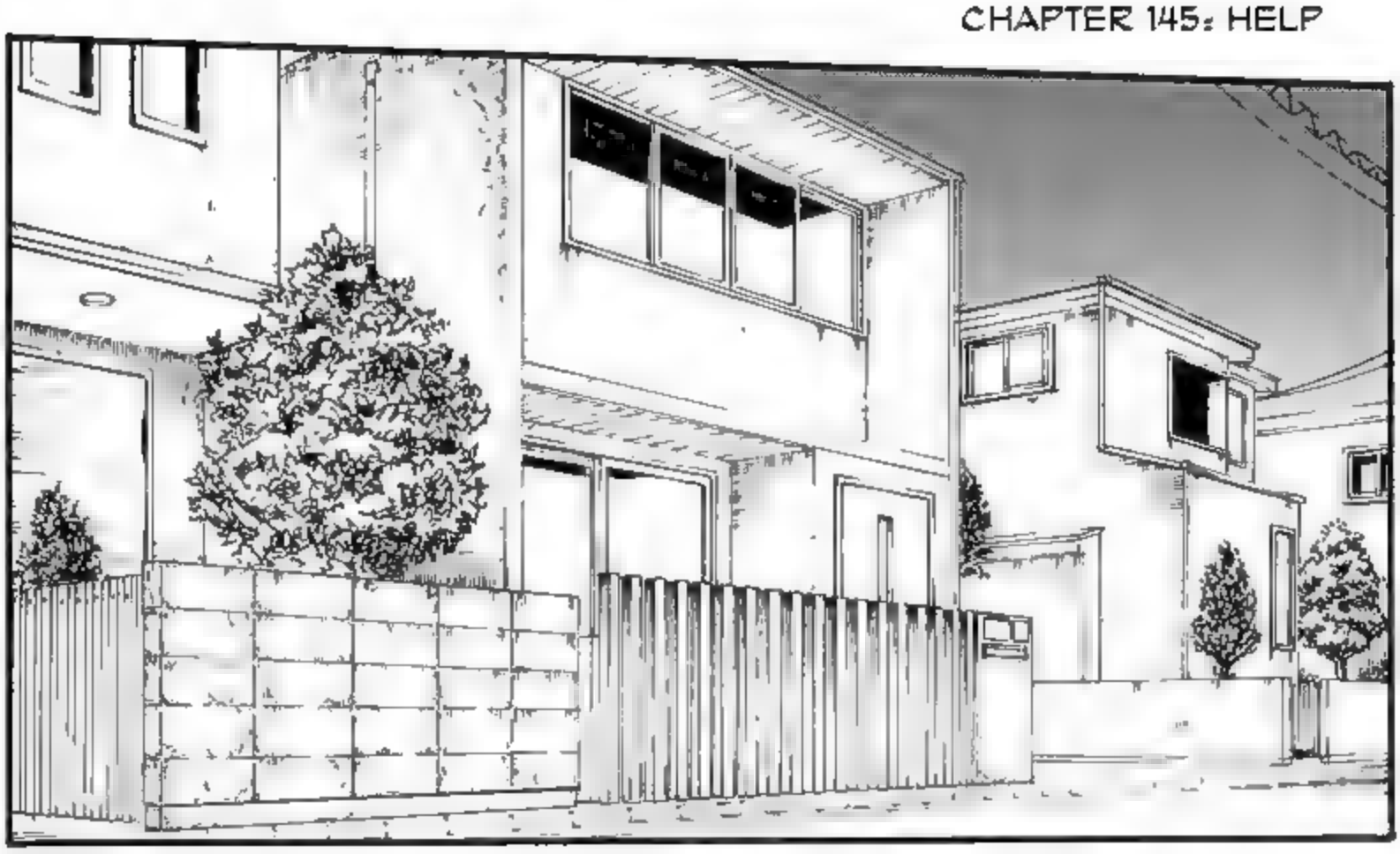

THANK YOU.
PLEASE, MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME.

HAHA HAHA.
YOU'RE RIGHT.

I'VE BEEN REMINDING KANAME ALL THE TIME
TO NOT FORGET HER PROMISES WITH HER FRIENDS.

BUT I DID COME HERE WITH THE INTENTIONS TO FIND CLUES ON JUN ANY-WAY...

I NEVER WOULD HAVE THOUGHT JUN'S GPS SIGNAL WOULD DIE OUT RIGHT INFRONT OF KANAME MATSUSHIMA'S HOUSE...

EVEN FROM SCANNING THIS ROOM...

THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANY-THING PE-CULIAR SO FAR...

THE FATHER SEEMS TO BEHAVE NORMALLY...

BUT THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE HERE...

COULD IT BE...
THE ROOM ODOR...?

IS IT THE DRAIN?
MAYBE I'M JUST OVER-THINKING IT...

BUT WHAT'S THAT SMELL EXACTLY?

HEY! THERE YOU ARE, MOM!

HUH? YOU'RE STILL BUSY?

FINE, I'LL TAKE OUT THE TRASH MYSELF.

WAS...

THERE SOME-ONE JUST NOW..?

T-THANK YOU...

ENJOY YOUR MEAL!

I'M BACK!

THERE A BACK DOOR FROM BE-H.ND THERE?

WAS...

SHE HAS A BROTHER?

OH!

LOOKS LIKE KANAME'S BROTHER JUST CAME BACK HOME.

HUH?

DID HE JUST SAY.... "JUN"?

I'M BACK.

WELCOME BACK,

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JUN.

HELLO.

WE HAVE A GUEST HERE.

GUEST?

?

I'LL BRING YOU GUYS SOME SNACKS RIGHT AWAY.

GO PLAY WITH OUR GUEST FOR A BIT.

HAHAHAH. ARE YOU NERVOUS?

IS EVERY-THING OKAY?

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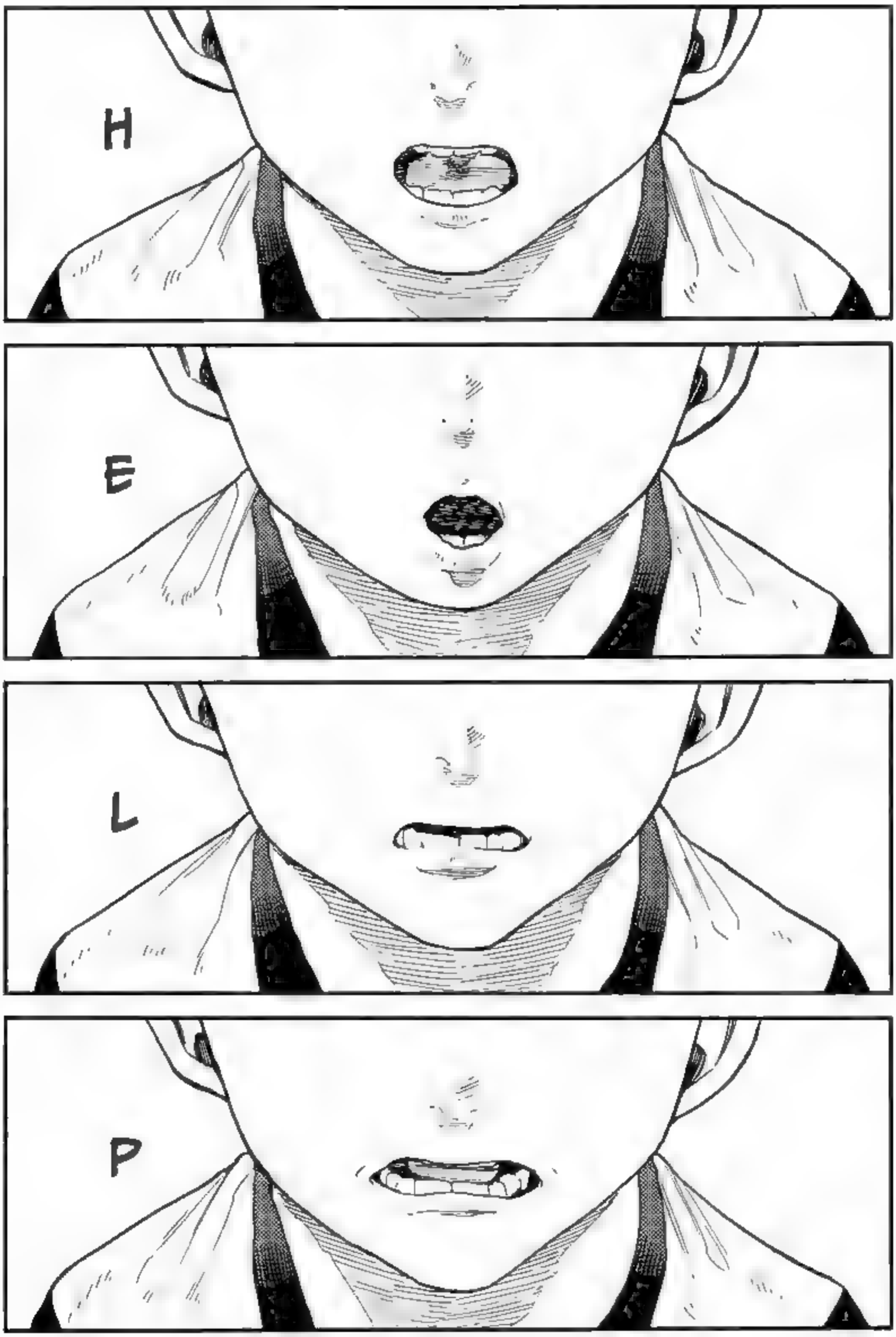
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!?

WHAT'S UP WITH THIS PLACE?!

"HELP"?!

THERE'S BEEN SOMETHING OFF ABOUT IT! BUT WHAT IS IT?!

WHAT'S WRONG?!

MOM...

MOM... IS...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, JUN?

JUN!

DO YOU NEED ANY HELP?!

MOM...

MOMMY IS...

JUN!

JUN!

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!

!?

DIDNT WE ALL

REVOLU-TIONIZE OURSELVES TOGETHER ALREADY?!

"REVO-LUTION?!"

SHES IN THE 2ND FLOOR ROOM AT THE FAR CORNER!

I'M NOT JUN!!

STOP!!

I'M NOT JUN!!

WAIT!!

I AM NOT JUN!!

HMM...

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SO IT'S THIS ROOM!
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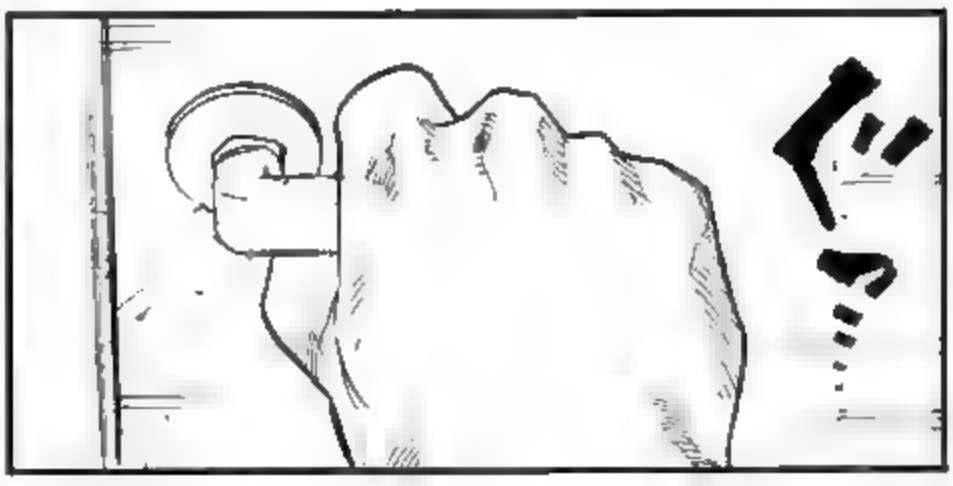
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SHE'S BEEN DEAD

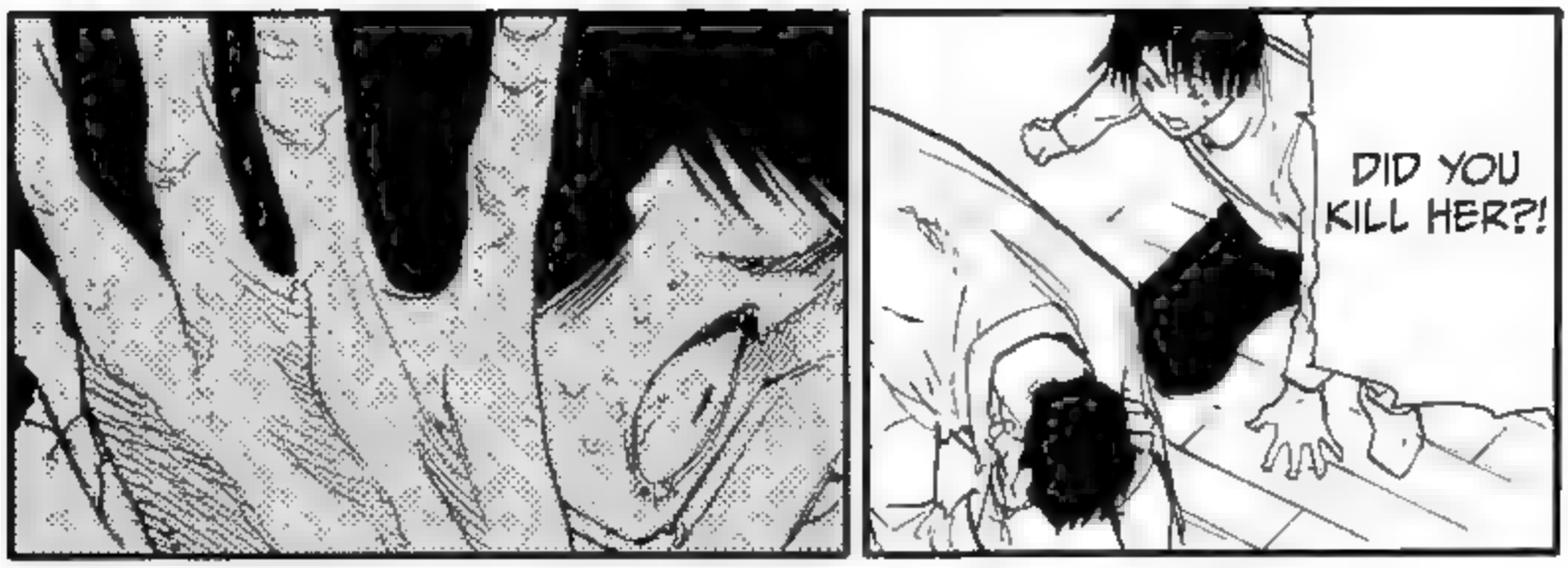
FOR QUITE A WHILE NOW...

DO NOT OPEN THAT DOOR!!

WHAT IS THIS?!

WHAT'S WRONG?

UWAAAAAAAAAAAAAA!!!


DID YOU KILL HER?!

MASTER JUN SHIR-AKAWA...

JUN?!
WHAT HAPPENED WITH JUN?!

IT ALL STARTED WHEN MY WIFE JOINED THE REVO-LUTIONARY CLUB...

THIS LED US, THE ENTIRE FAMILY, TO TAG ALONG WITH HER TO THEIR SEMINAR...

KANAME BECAME "THAT THING"

AND SHE COULDN'T GO BACK TO HOW SHE USED TO BE...

MASTER JUN...

KANAME ....

AND MY WIFE OVERWHELMED BY GUILT AND REGRET....

COMMITTED SUICIDE.

I CAN'T LET MASTER JUN KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO HER...

BUT WHY DID YOU LEAVE THE BODY IN THAT ROOM?!

MOM...?

I'M SORRY!

I'M SORRY!!

I'M SORRY!!

I'M SORRY!!

I'M SORRY!!

I'M SORRY!!

MOMMY...?

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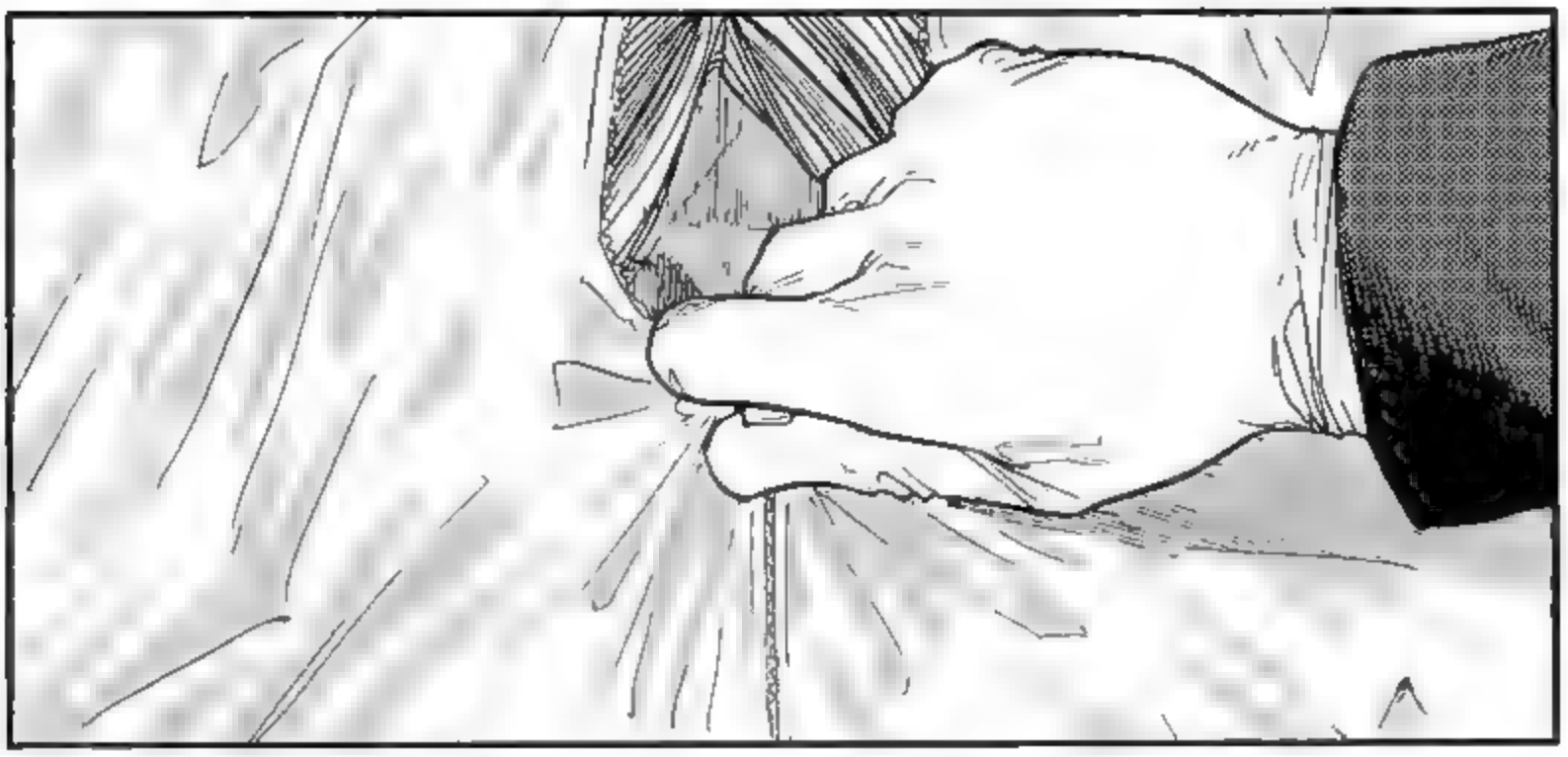
JUN...

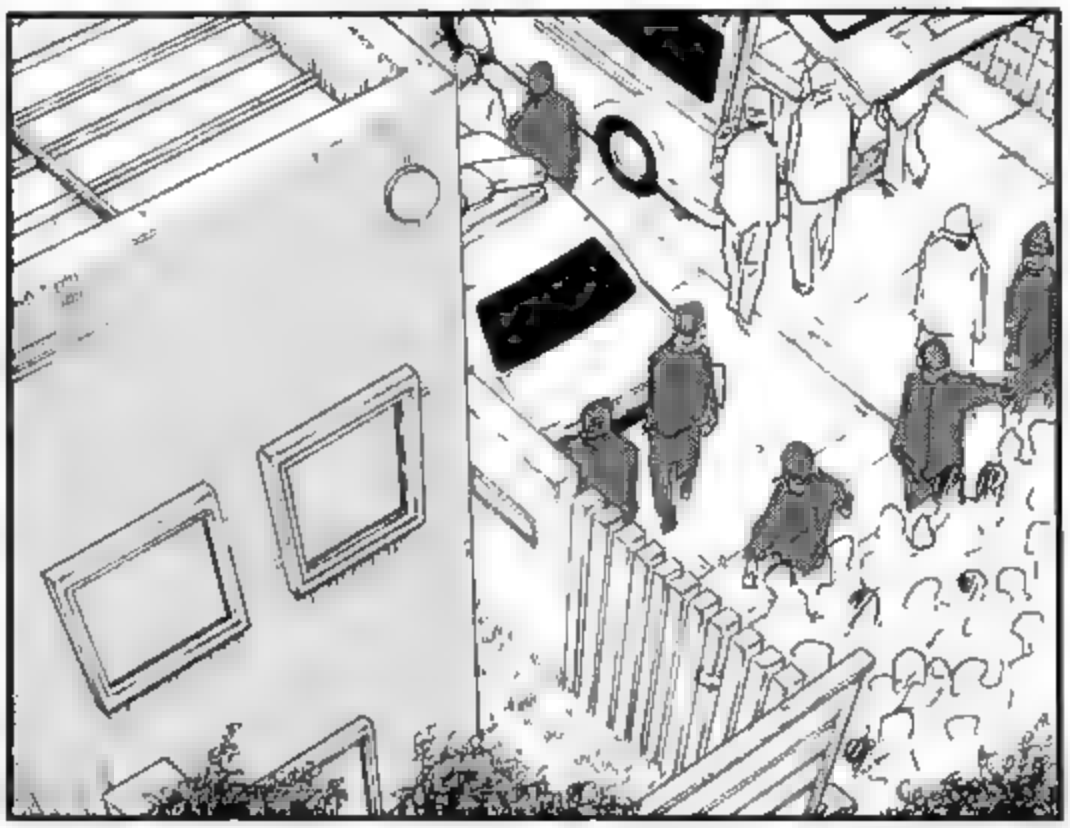
WHAT THE HELL...

HAVE YOU DONE?!

JUN SHOWS HIS TRUE COLORS. IS HE GOOD OR EVIL? NEXT CHAPTER: ANOTHER CONFRONTATION WITH JUN!

T/S NOTE: BREAK NEXT WEEK! R/JJJJ.KA_NO_ROKUNN





MY WIFE KILLED HERSELF.
AND SHE COULDN'T GO BACK...
MASTER JUN SHIRAKAWA...

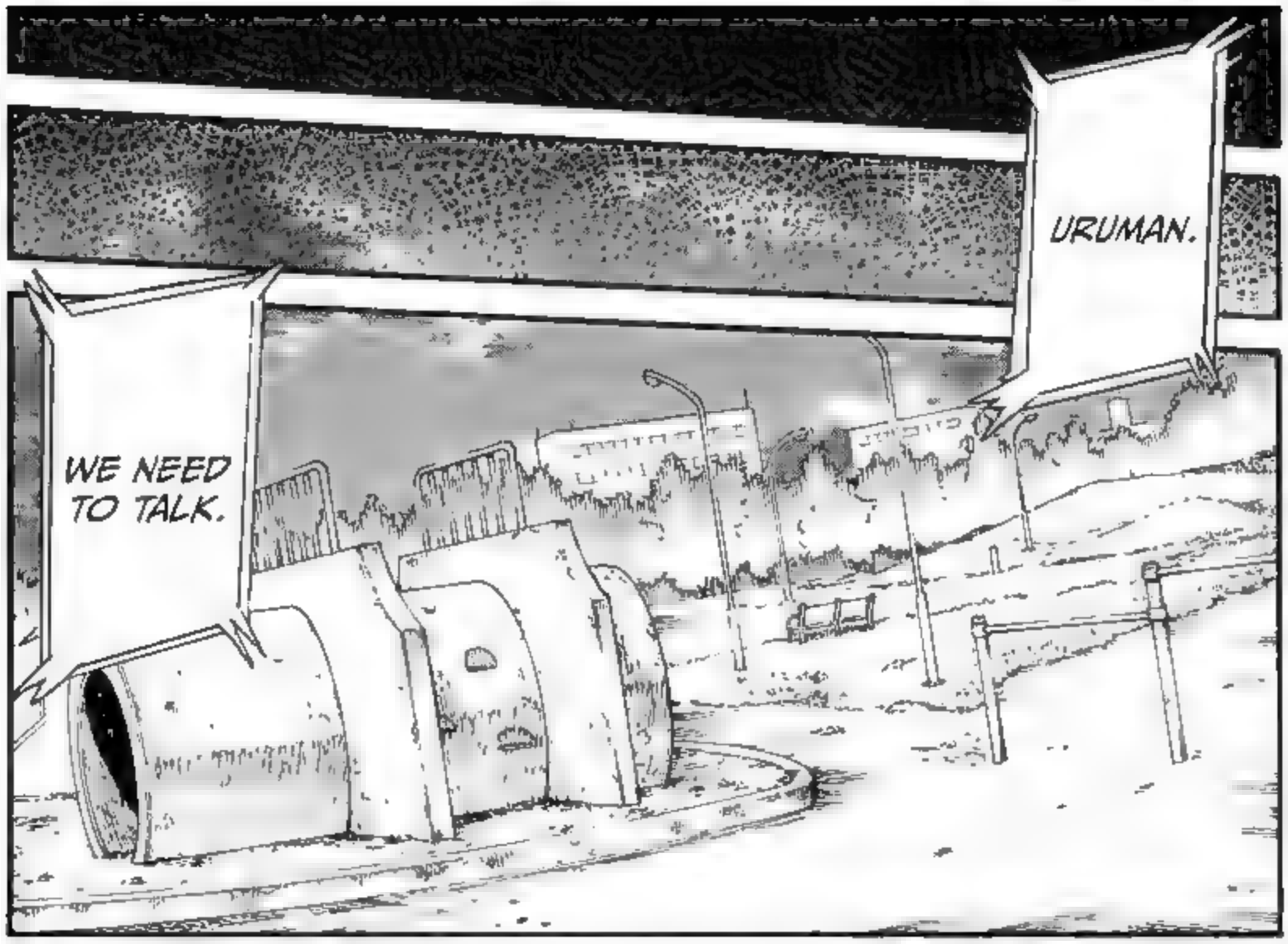
JUN...

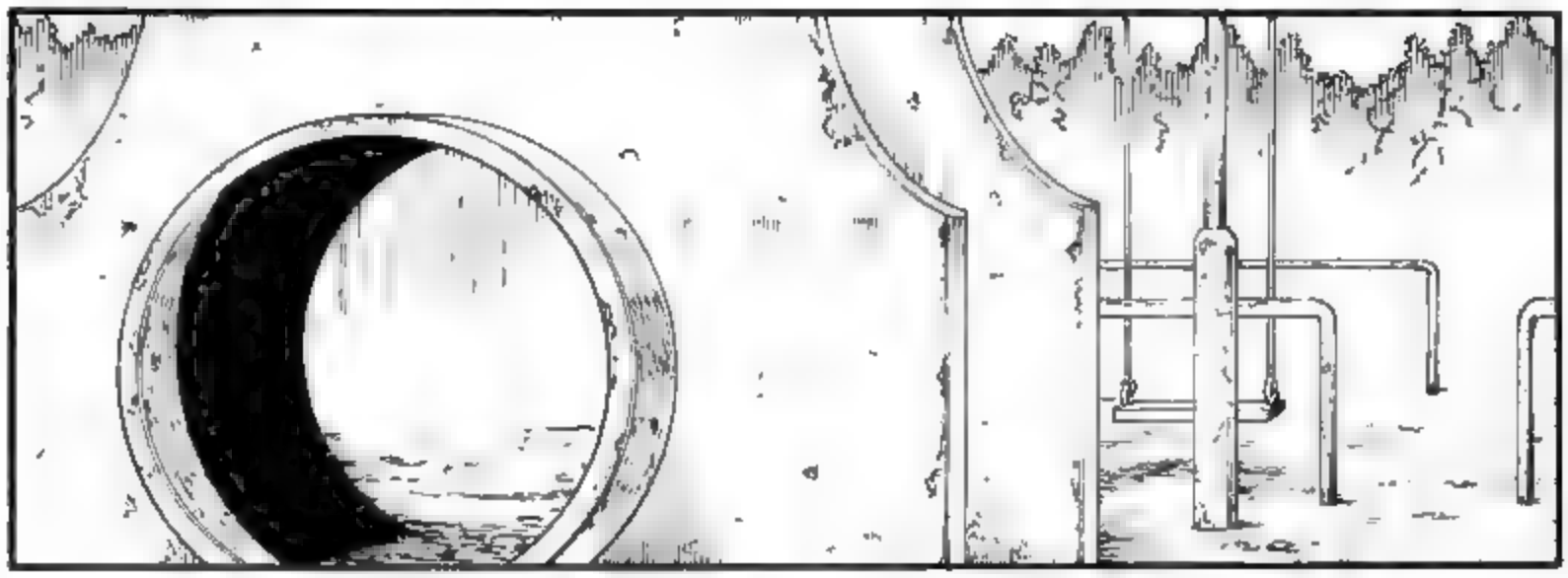
ARE YOU ACTUALLY...?

BZZZ
BZZZ

JUN

ACCEPT


WE NEED TO TALK.
URUMAN.



HE SHOULD BE...
...IN THIS PARK.

STEP

URUMAN.

U-

URUMAN

P-PLEASE HEAR ME OUT..!

WERE YOU...

PLOTTING AGAINST ME...?

I KNOW THAT.

APART OF THE REVOLU-TIONARY CLUB.

I AM...

BUT I'M INFILTRATING THEM FOR THE SAKE OF AVENGING MY SISTER!

HOW ABOUT YOU START EXPLAINING WHAT HAPPENED TO KANAME MATSUSHIMA?

STOP LYING TO ME!!

KANAME, THE SAME WOMAN FROM THE MATSUSHIMA HOUSEHOLD...

SHE PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED A CRITICAL BURN SCAR ON HER FACE.

WITH THE HELP FROM THE CLUB'S MEDICAL ADVANCES...

WE MANAGED TO HELP KANAME RECOVER FROM HER BJRN SCAR.

AS OF NOW, I HAD BEEN PLACED IN THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE REVO-LUTIONARY CLUB.

I WAS APPOINTED AS THEIR HEAD OF HEALTH AFFAIRS.

IT WAS ALL THANKS TO KANAME'S DNA

THAT WE USED AS A BASE FOR HER BURN RECOVERY.

YOU'RE JOKING.

IF I WERE TO TELL YOU THIS, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BELIEVED ME. THAT'S WHY I KEPT YOU IN THE DARK UNTIL NOW.

WHICH IS WHY HER FACE NOW RESEMBLES THE EXACT KANAME WE ARE BOTH FAMILIAR WITH...

!

HE'S RIGHT.

IT WAS JUST PURE COINCIDENCE THAT I SHARED THE SAME NAME AS JUN'S SISTER.

MATSUSHIMA.

JUN ISN'T EXACTLY MY BOYFRIEND...

HE ONLY VISITS ME TO MAKE SURE THAT MY SKIN IS WELL MAINTAINED.

YOU APPROACHED HIM FIRST?

ALSO... I WAS THE ONE WHO APPROACHED HIM FIRST FOR ADVICE SINCE HE'S THE CLUB'S STAFF.

TO RESOLVE MY FAMILY'S PROBLEMS.

BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO...

I COULDN'T...

STOP MY FATHER ANYMORE...

BUT... IT'S TOO LATE NOW.

IT'S FINE...

THERE'S NO NEED TO APOLOGIZE.

I WAS TOO WEAK TO PREVENT THIS...

I'M SORRY.

I'M JUST AS GUILTY FOR FEIGNING IGNORANCE OVER MY MOTHER'S CORPSE.

I NEED TO LEAVE NOW.

URUMAN.

I WILL...

...ASK THIS ONCE AGAIN.

WILL YOU LEND ME YOUR HAND...

URUMAN?

I'M GOING TO MURDER MOMOKI.

EIGHT DAYS.

TIME REMAIN-ING

I'LL LET YOU THINK THIS THROUGH AGAIN.

ARE YOU IN? OR ARE YOU OUT?

...BRING US BACK TO THE GOOD OLD DAYS.

IT SURE DOES...

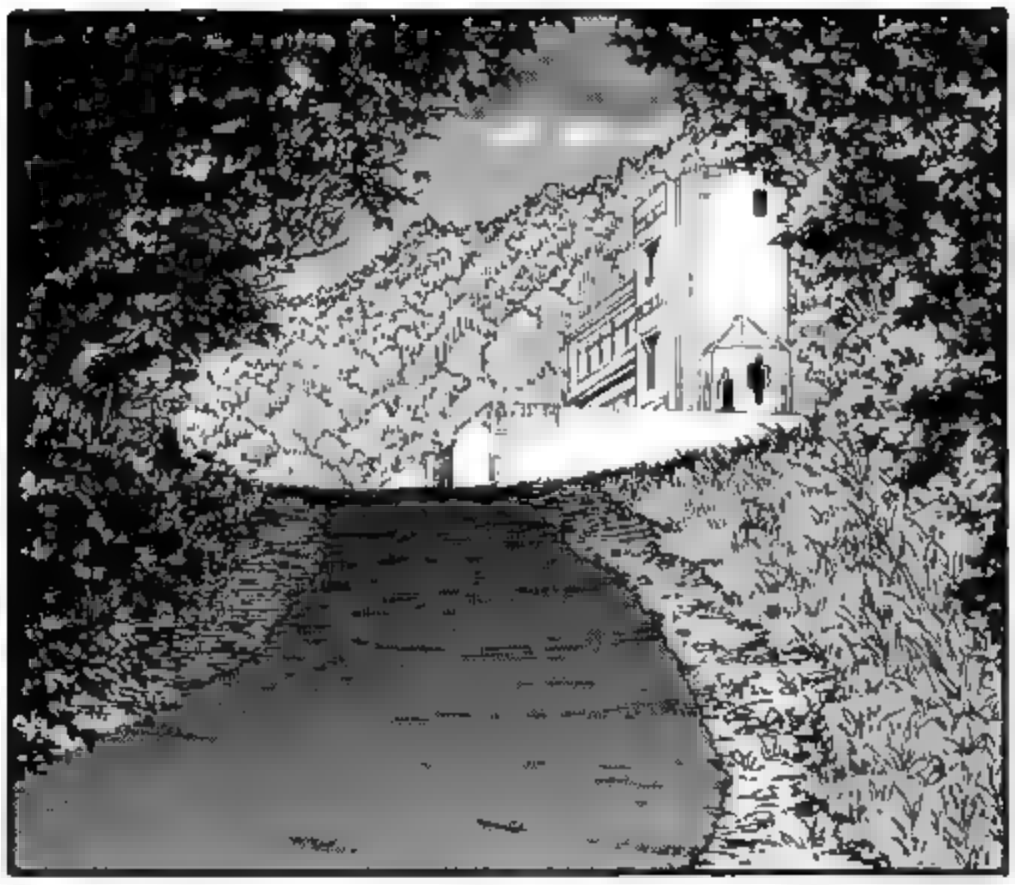
THIS PARK...

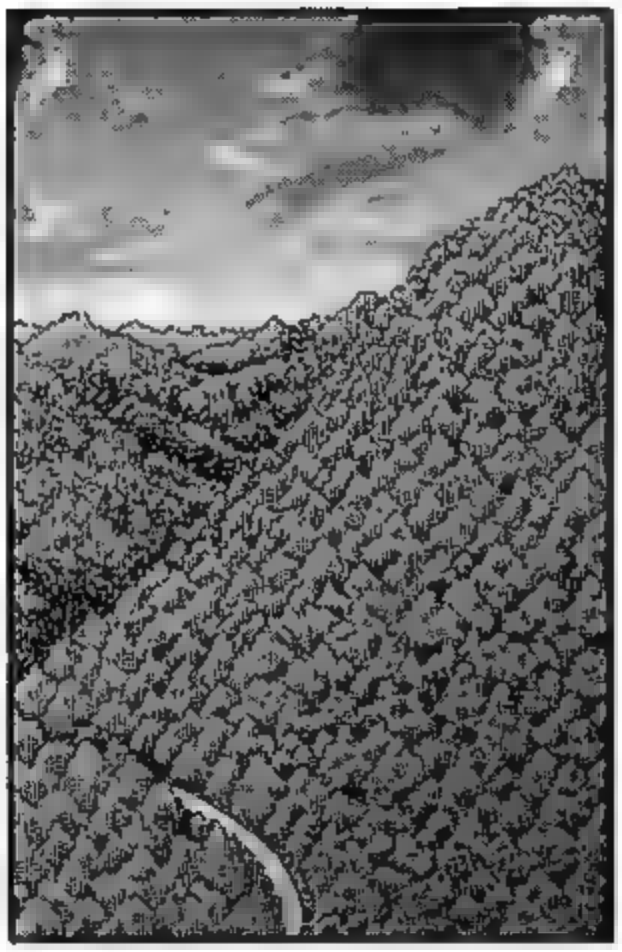
BUT ALL OF THAT HAD CHANGED

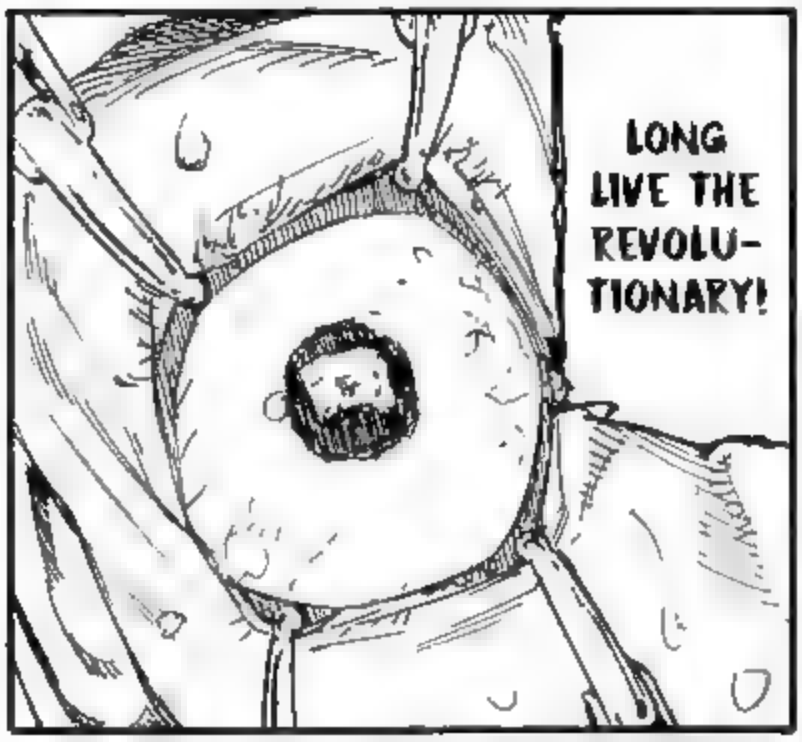
EVER SINCE THOSE BASTARDS CAME INTO THE PIC-TURE.

JUST WHAT...

..AM I SUPPOSED TO BELIEVE ANYMORE?



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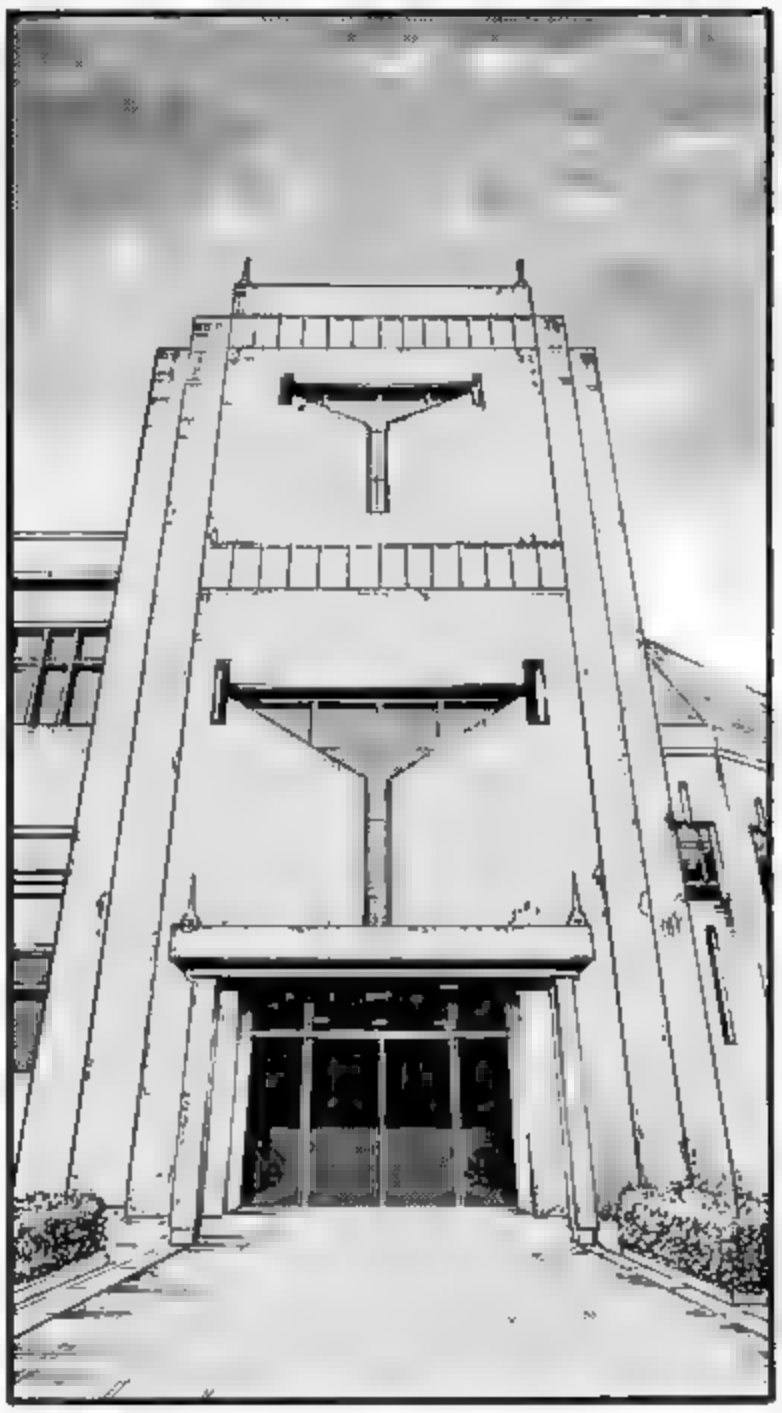

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NEXT.

ALRIGHT.

LONG LIVE THE REVOLU-TIONARY!

WHICH IS MORE IMPOR-TANT?

YOUR HAIR OR THE REVOLU-TIONARY.

LONG LIVE THE REVOLU-TIONARY!

YOJR FINGER OR...
THE REVOLU-TION-ARY?

EEEEK!
LONG LIVE THE REVOLU-TIONARY!

YOUR PET OR...
THE REVOLU-TION-ARY?

...
LONG LIVE...

YOUR EYE OR...
THE REVOLU-TION-ARY?

MOMOKI, MA'AM.

FORGIVE ME!!!
REHAB-ILITATION.

HUH?

HE HE HE HE HE

KYOU-CHAN.

SO JUN...
IS FINALLY STARTING TO GET SERIOUS, HUH?
EVERYTHING IS PLAYED ONTO SHIGOKU KYOU'S PALMS. WHO IS IN THE RIGHT? WHO IS IN THE WRONG?

R/JUUJIKA NO ROKJNIN

TO BE CONTINUED!

REVOLUTION-ARY CLUB...

..MEDICAL DEPART-MENT...

...AND LASTLY MEDICAL RECOV-ERY.

CHAPTER 147: RENDEZVOUS

THEY HAVE ALL THE FUNDINGS AND MAN-POWER AFTER ALL.

IT'S LIKELY THEY HAVE CONDUCTED ILLEGAL EXPERIMENTS AS THEY GO.

THAT DOESN'T SOUND TOO FAR-FETCHED.

*I CAN'T THINK OF ANY OTHER REASON BESIDES TRYING TO CATCH URUMA OFF-GUARD!*

*I THINK THIS IS ALL JUST NONSENSE!*

WHA-?!

NAHHH, LET'S GO TO-GETHER!

*ALSO, ARE YOU JUST GOING TO LET URUMA GO ALONE?*

IT'LL BE FINE. IN ANY CASE, IT'S BEST IF YOU BOTH STICK TOGETHER AND WAIT FOR ORDERS.

W-WAIT. HOLD UP.

THAT DUDE NEVER TOLD HIM TO GO ALONE.

RIGHT.

BY THE WAY...

...DID HE SET A RENDEVOUS FOR THIS PLAN?

YES...

I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF WITHOUT ANY PROBLEMS.

REGARDLESS, EVEN IF THIS IS ALL A SETUP, WE'LL STILL GAIN VALUABLE INTEL ON THE REVOLUTIONARY CLUB.

WHO DIED SIX YEARS AGO?

SO ALL THE MISSING INDIVIDUALS RESEMBLED KANAMA SHIRAKAWA.

...BEFORE GOING MISSING.

THE SAID VICTIM JOINED THE REVO-LUTIONARY...

EVEN THEIR NAMES MATCHED.

"KANAME SHINODA"

MA'AM I JUST REALIZED SOME-THING.

THIS MAY GIVE US SOME LEADS.

BJT I WONDER HOW THEY ARE ALL LINKED TOGETHER.

THE "REVO-LUTIONARY CLUB" DOES RING A BELL.

THE TOP EXECUTIVE OF THE RE-VOLUTIONARY CLUB.

IT'S SHIGOKU KYOU...

HE WAS URUMA SHUN'S...

CLASSMATE.

MA'AM...

HE WAS APP-ARENTLY ONE OF URUMA SHUN'S BULLIES.

I'VE SKIMMED THROUGH OUR RE-PORTS.

MUST HAVE HAPPENED WHILE OUR BACKS WERE TURNED THIS WHOLE TIME?

...SOME-THING...

DON'T YOU THINK...

ARE THERE ANY OTHER LEADS ON THE KANAME SHINODA CASE?

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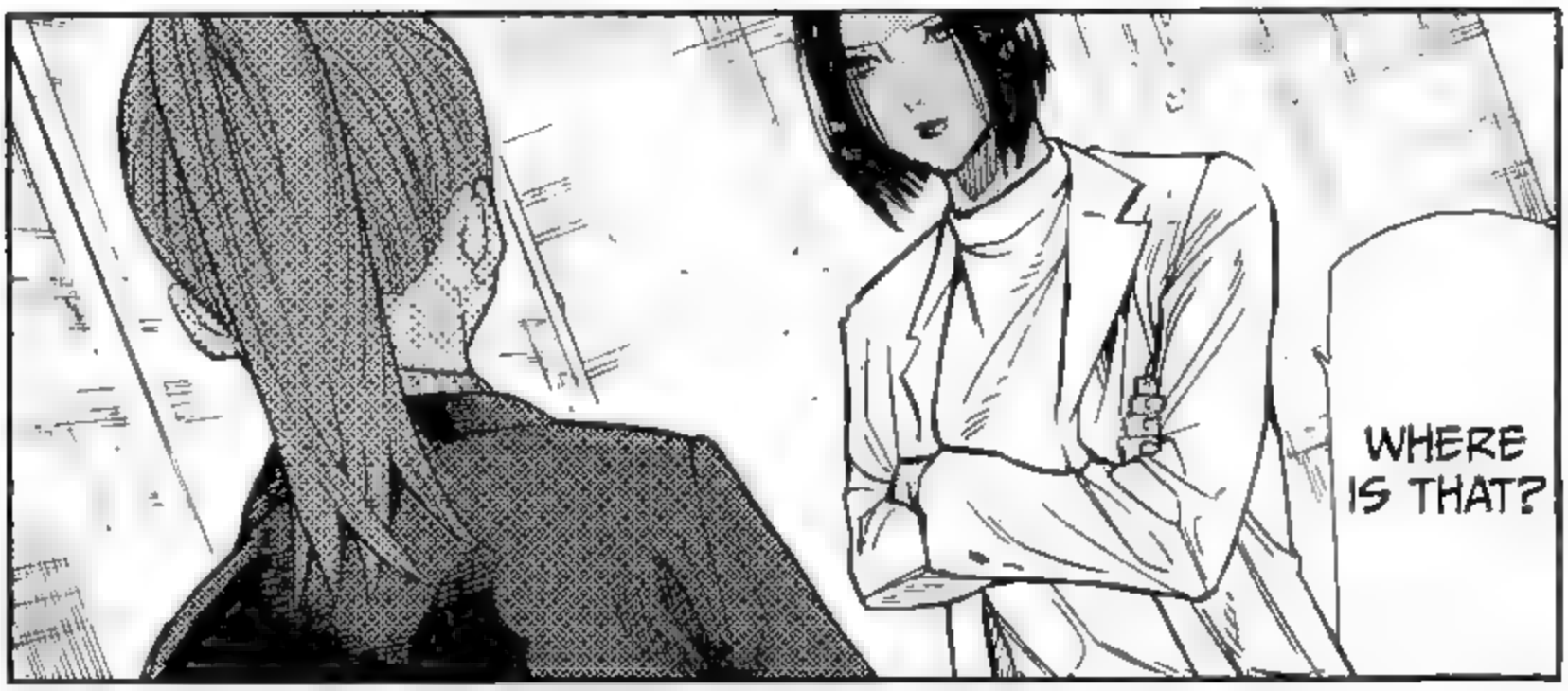



IT'S SOME-WHERE IN...

MT. NOTOMI IN HANOU CITY.

WE HAVE 7 DAYS...

UNTIL OUR DEADLINE.

WE'VE GOT SOME WORK TO DO.

WE HAVE UNTIL ONE WEEK TO EXECUTE OUR OPERATION.

THAT DOES SOUND FAMILIAR...

...MT. NOTOMI...

HANOU CITY...

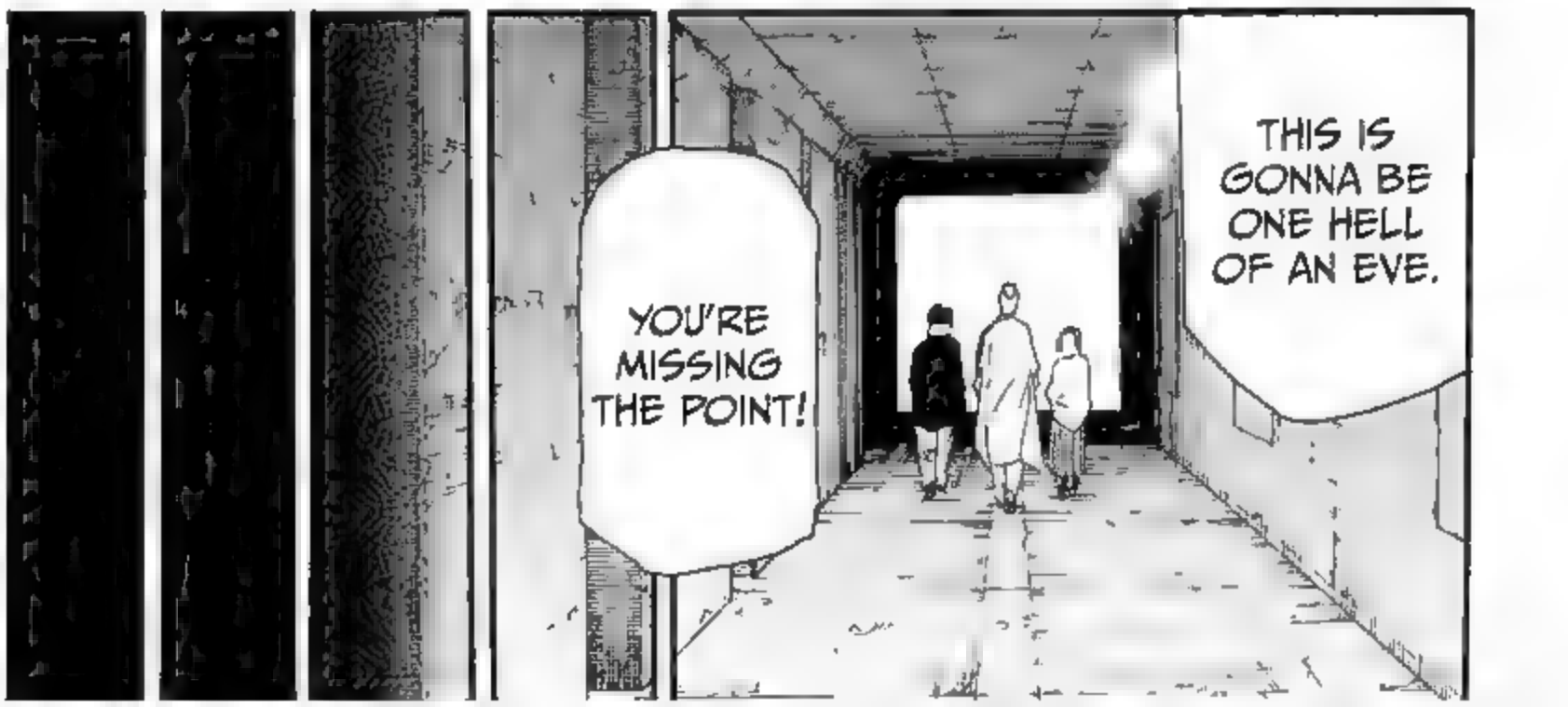
...WE ONLY HAVE ONE WEEK.

THIS IS BAD...

WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU, KAWANA?

AAAAA!!

THAT'S ON CHRISTMAS EVE..!


YOU'RE MISSING THE POINT!
THIS IS GONNA BE ONE HELL OF AN EVE.

FOR THIS YEARS CHRISTMAS...

I'M GOING OUT ON A DATE WITH MY CRUSH!

HOW ABOUT YOU, CHIZURU?

NOTHING MUCH, I GUESS.

SO YOU'RE SINGLE?

SINGLE FOR THIS YEAR, TOO.

AH, I PITY YOU.

I'LL BE HANDING YOU A PRESENT THEN!

HELL NO!

?

HEY...

AZUMA?

DO YOU STILL REMEMBER ME...

HUH...?

ARE YOU JUN?

LONG TIME NO SEE!

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN?

6 YEARS, I GUESS?

I JUST HAPPENED TO SPOT YOU, SO I CALLED YOU OUT.

THAT'S GREAT! HOW'S URUMA DOING?

HE'S MORE OR LESS DOING FINE.

SO, ARE YOU IN COLLEGE NOW AZUMA?

YEAH, I'M IN MY THIRD YEAR NOW.

WON'T BE LONG UNTIL I HAVE TO FIND A JOB, HUH?

JOB? EVERY-BODY'S SO GROWN UP NOW.

"EVERY-BODY"?

RIGHT.
I JUST MET URUMAN SOME TIME AGO.

...HE'S ALL GROWN UP NOW.

IT FELT LIKE...

HE SURE WENT THROUGH SO MUCH LATELY.

IF I'M THE ONLY ONE RE-MAINING.

IT MAKES ME WONDER

...JUN?

AZUMA,
DO YOU STILL LOVE URUMAN?

!?
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ガタ...

YOU'VE GOT NO PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS RIGHT?
WHAT?

I'LL LET YOU MEET HIM.

JUN?!

WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?!

W-

WAIT!

S-STO!

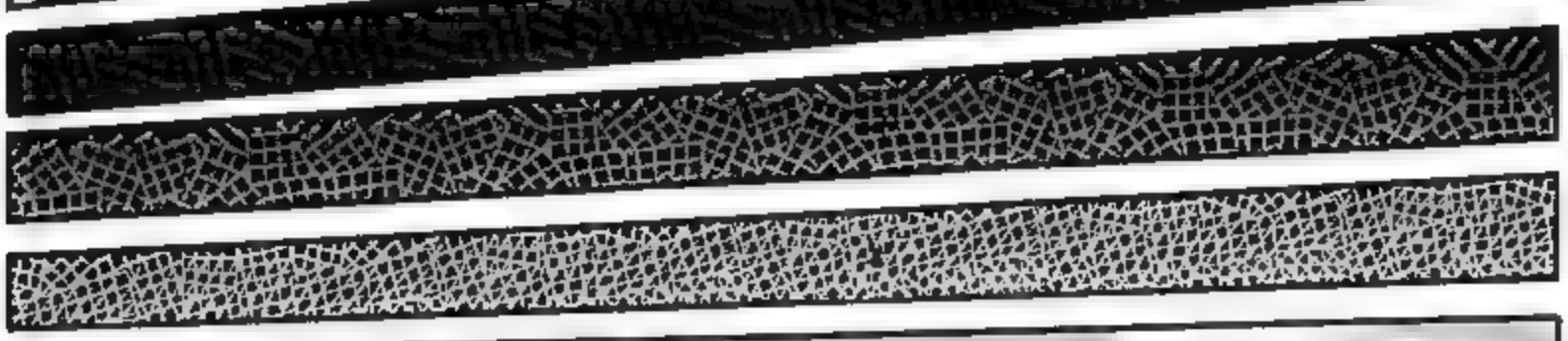
W-WHAT THE HELL?!

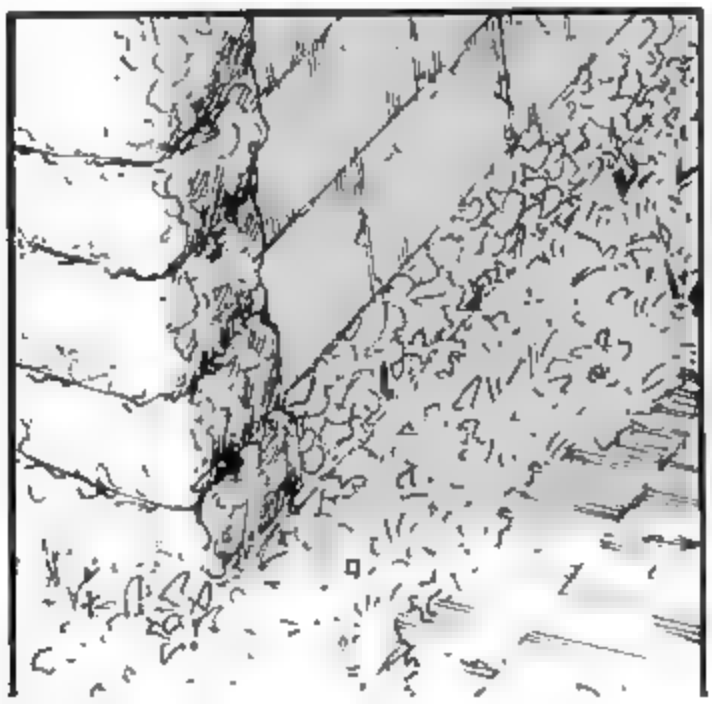
MMM!

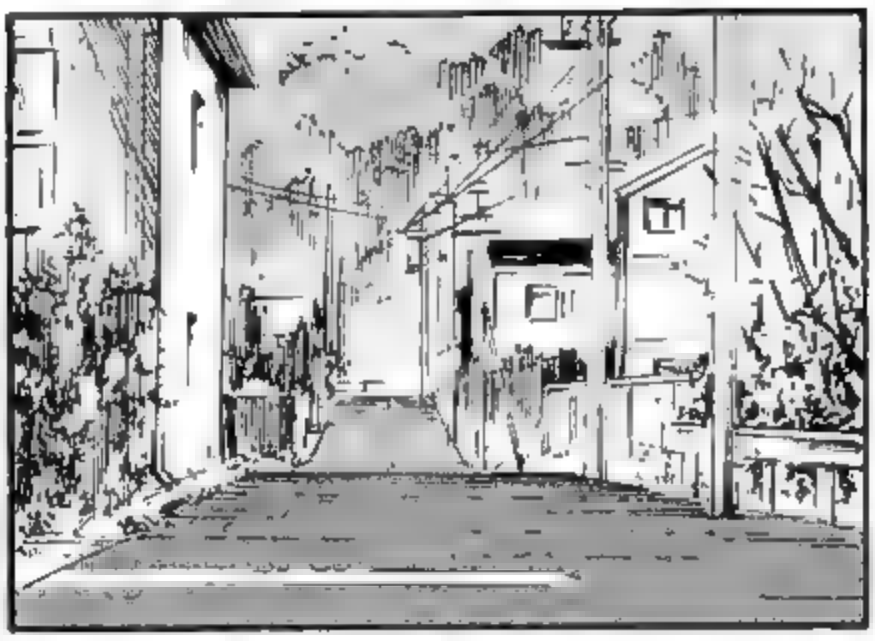
!?

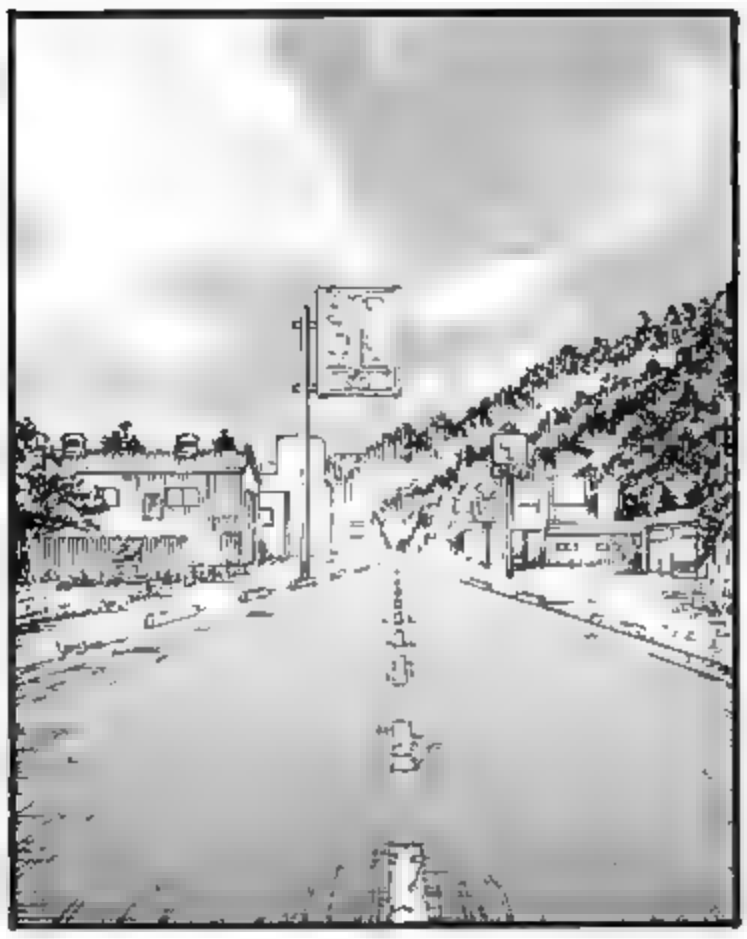
MMMM_!!!

SLUMP









HANOU CITY

MT. NOTOMI

6 A DESTINY FILLED WITH 6 YEARS OF INSANITY HAS NOW BEGAN TO INTERSECT. NEXT CHAPTER: EVERYONE ASSEMBLES ON EVE!

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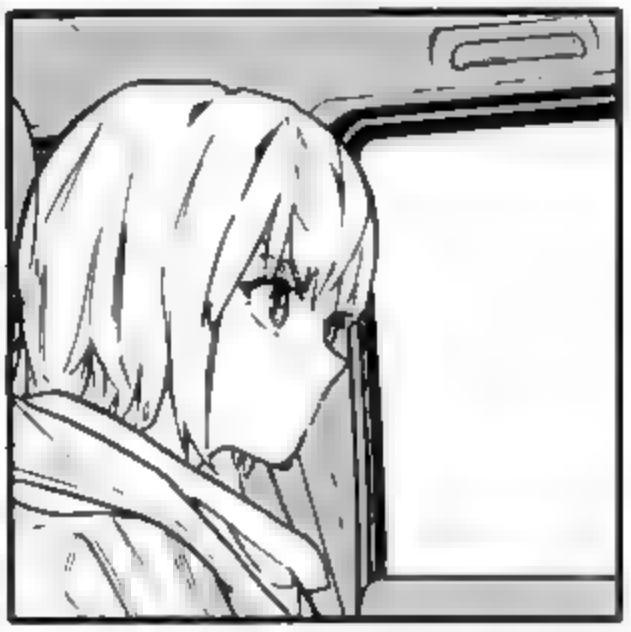
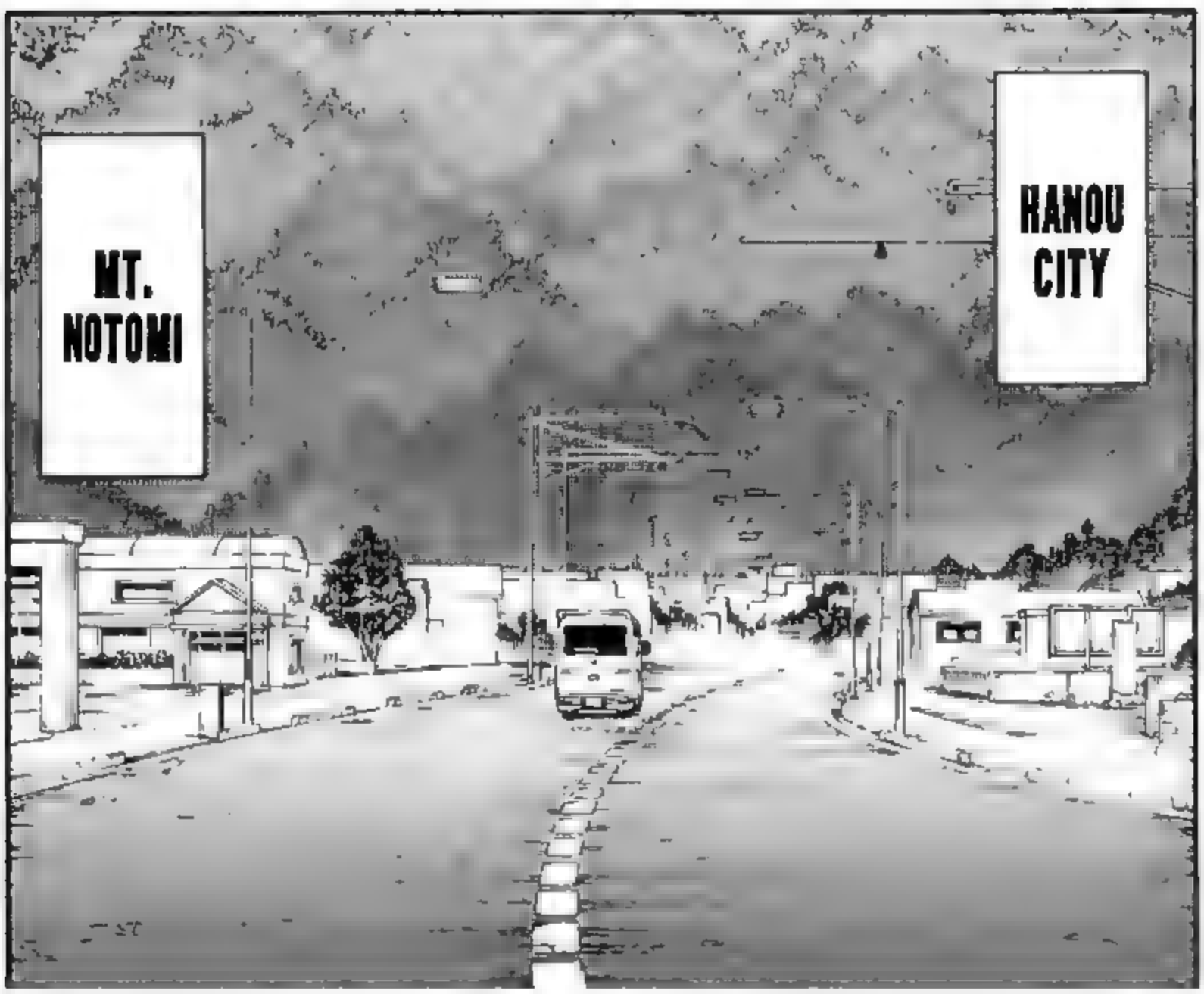
# CHAPTER 148: YOU'RE STILL ALIVE





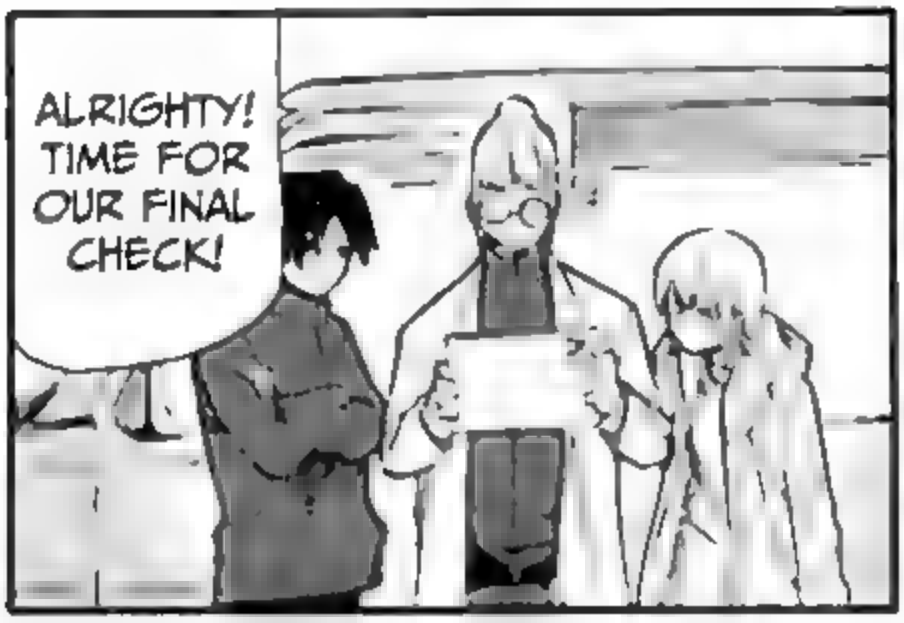
WHAT'S WRONG?

HUH...?

SOMETHING ABOUT IT LOOKS FAMILIAR.

WELL... THIS ROAD.

...OR I GUESS THAT'S JUST ME!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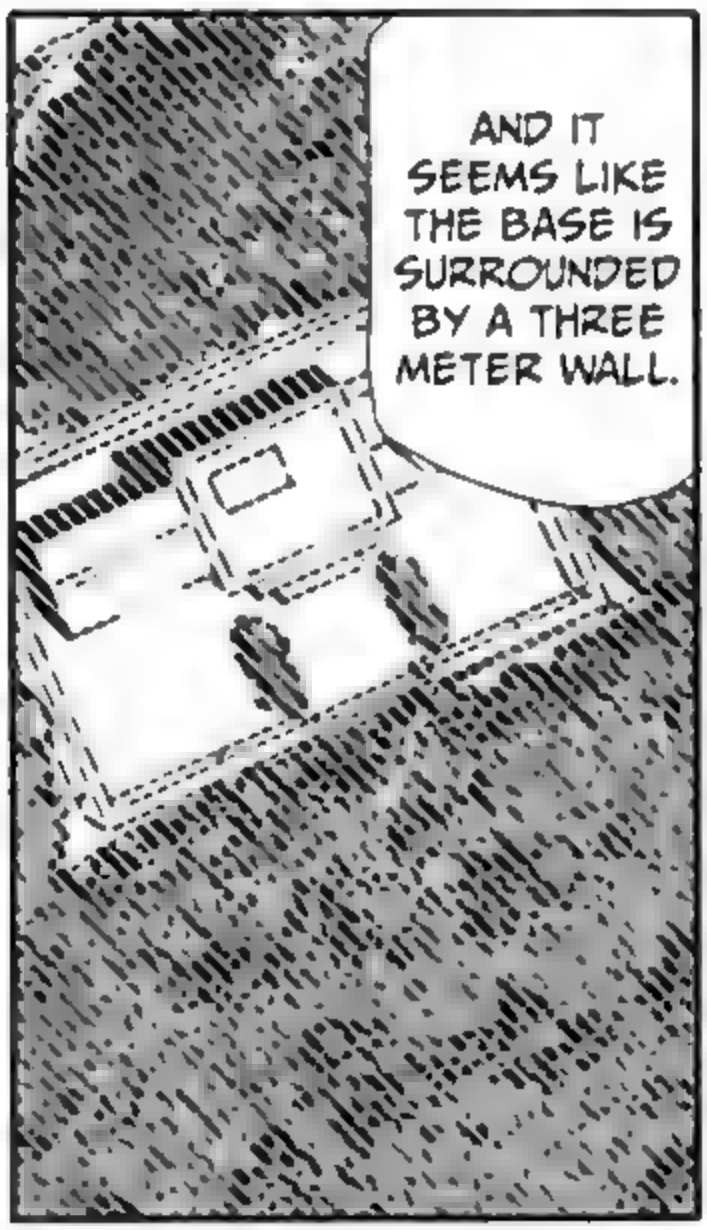
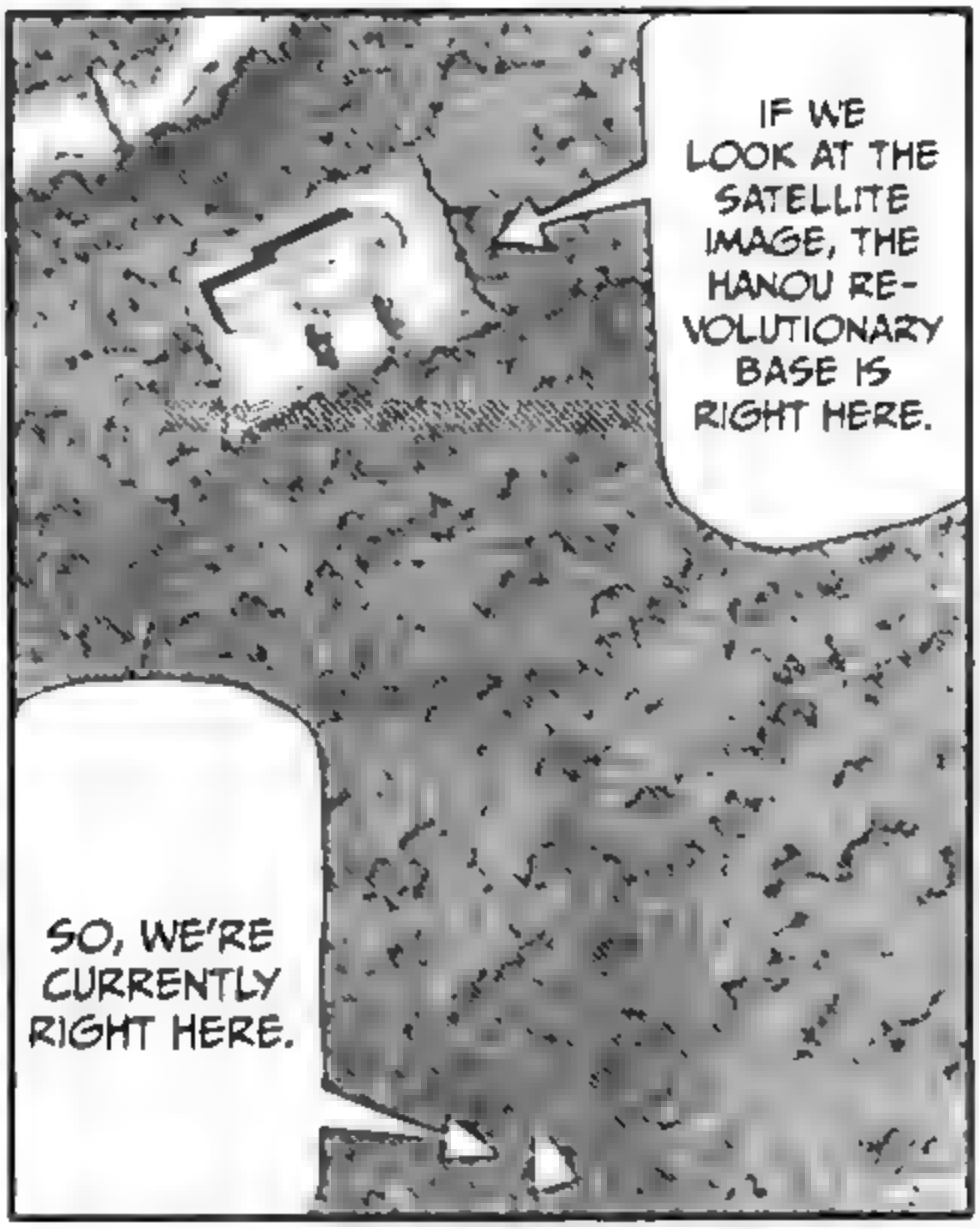

AND IT SEEMS LIKE THE BASE IS SURROUNDED BY A THREE METER WALL.


IF WE LOOK AT THE SATELLITE IMAGE, THE HANOU RE-VOLUTIONARY BASE IS RIGHT HERE.
SO, WE'RE CURRENTLY RIGHT HERE.

SHUN.

BUT AT LEAST THERE'S AN ADJACENT BUILDING WITHIN THE PROXIMITY OF THE WALL, SO GETTING OVER THE WALL THROUGH IT WON'T BE A PROBLEM.

MOMOKI MAY BE OUR CURRENT TARGET.

WE'LL BE STATIONED HERE FOR THE TIME BEING. IF ANYTHING HAPPENS JUST COME BACK HERE.

RIGHT.

BUT WE CAN'T GET RID OF OUR SUSPICIONS ON JUN YET.

I'M HEADING OUT NOW.

STAY SAFE!

HMMM...

HE'S GONE NOW...

MOUNT NOTOMI, HUH..

THAT SURE DOES RING A BELL...

AT THE VERY LEAST IT'S NOT SOMETHING TRAUMATIC, RIGHT?

HT...

OH, GIMMIE A BREAK! KAWANA!

!

YEAH. JUST LEAD THE WAY.

THANKS FOR COMING! I KNEW I COULD COUNT ON YOU!

URUMAN!

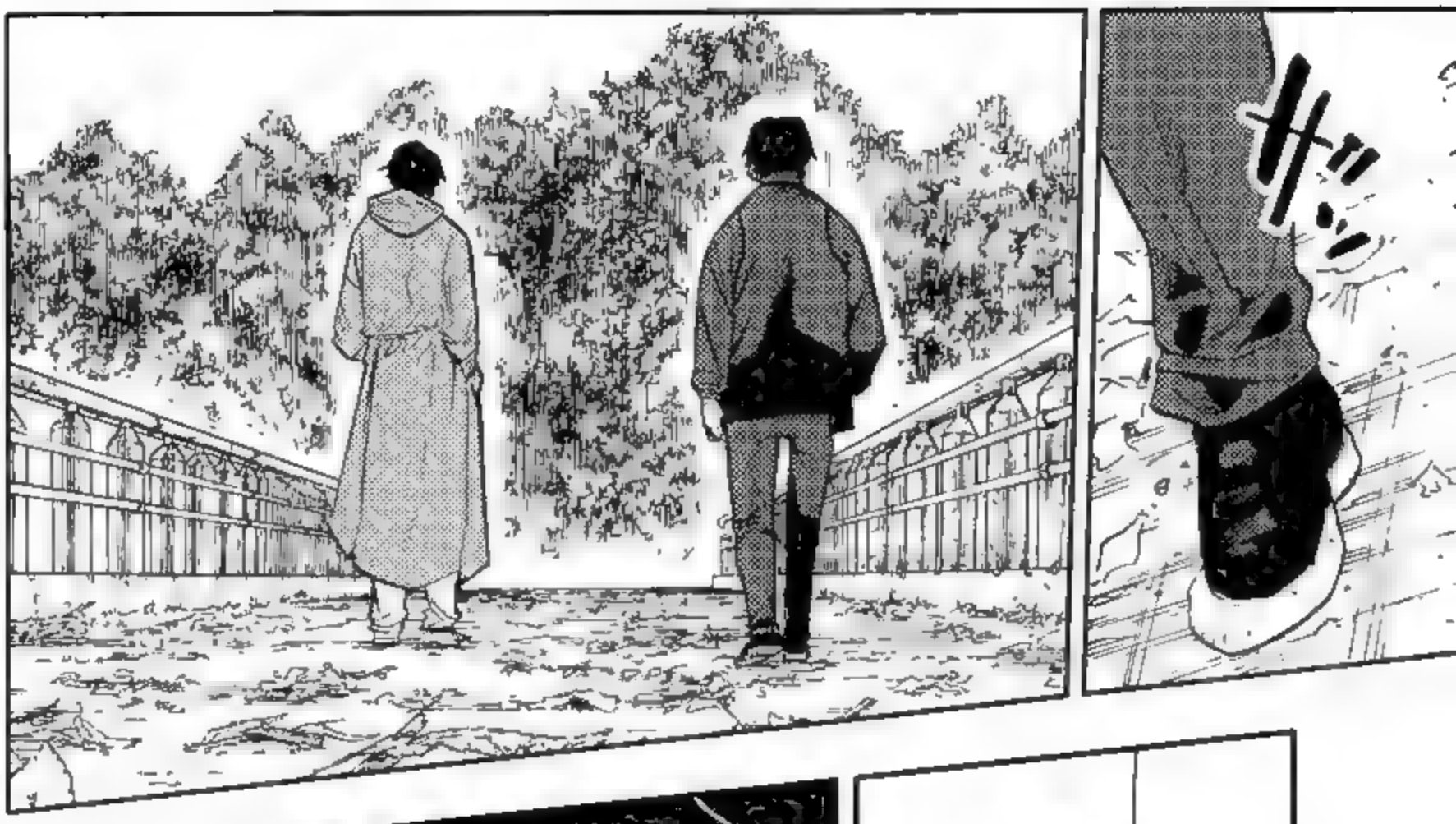
RIGHT THERE?

THE BASE IS UP THERE.

STAFF MEMBERS LIKE ME COULD JUST ENTER THROUGH THE FRONT GATE. BUT I CAN'T SAY THE SAME FOR YOU. EVERYONE KNOWS YOUR FACE EVER SINCE THE INCIDENT WITH ANDOU.

CURRENTLY, THERE'S AN ABANDONED BRIDGE NEARBY.

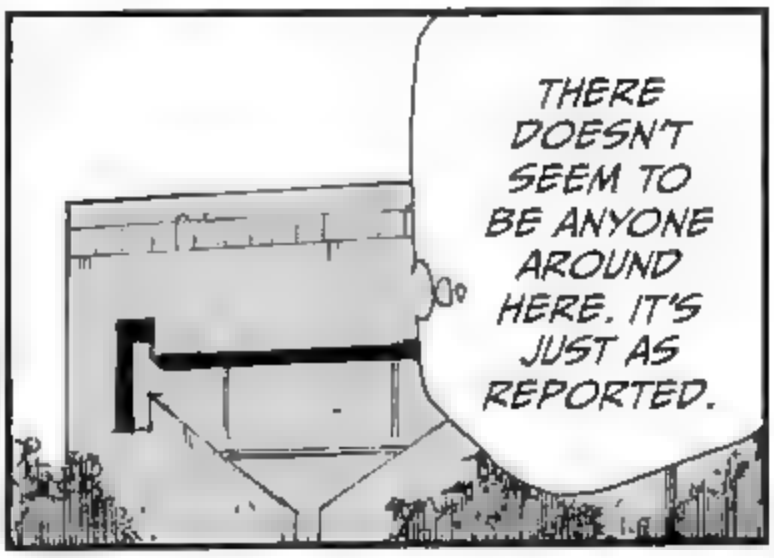
LET'S CROSS THAT AND ENTER FROM BEHIND.



I DON'T SEE ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS FROM JUN AT THE MOMENT.

RIGHT HERE.

OH, WAIT!


THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYONE AROUND HERE. IT'S JUST AS REPORTED.

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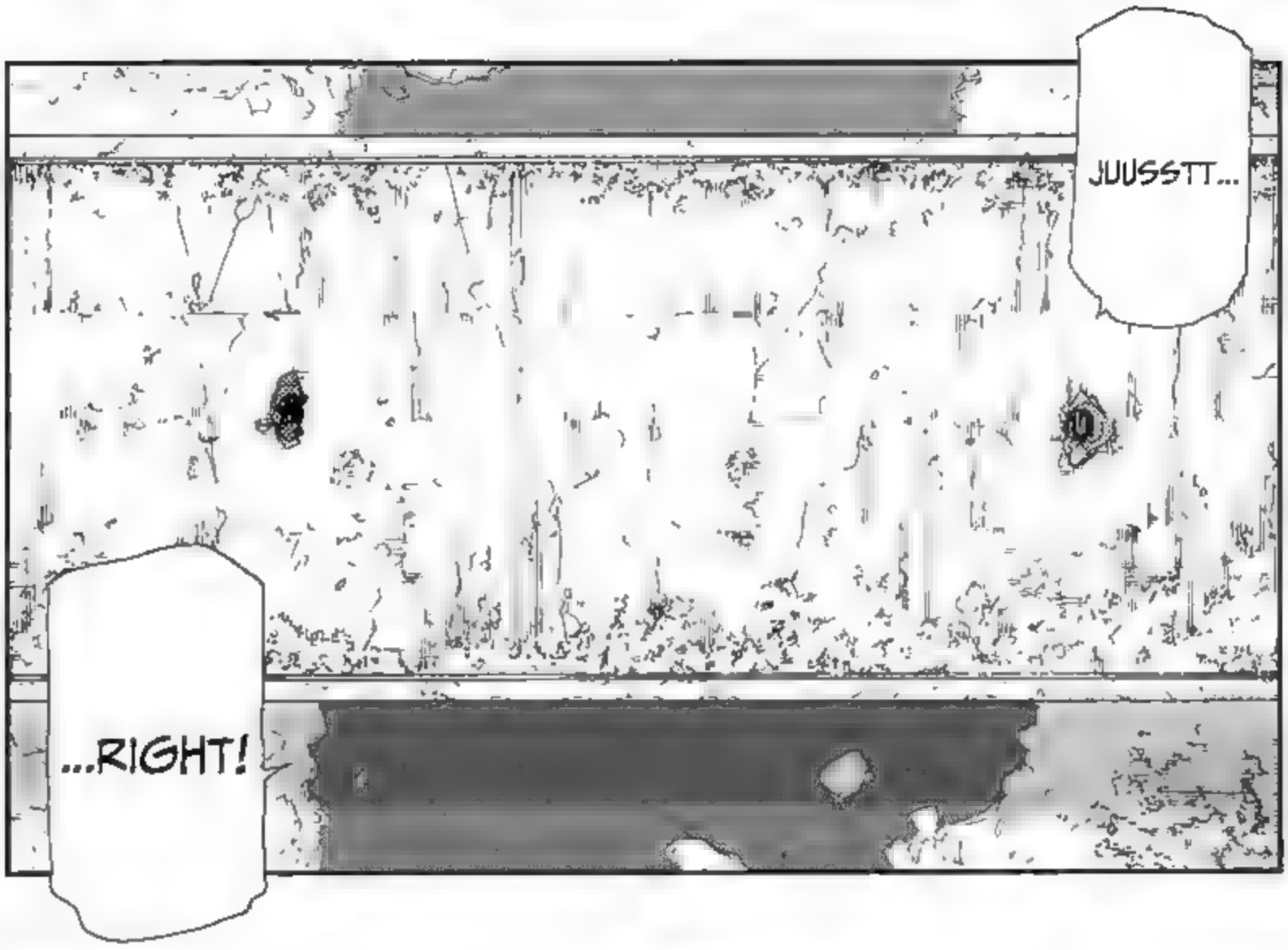
UMM...
HERE?
URUMAN, CAN YOU STOP RIGHT HERE?


JUUSSTT...
...RIGHT!

AND... WHAT'S THIS ABOUT...?

"HANOU CITY..."

"MOUNT NOTOM!..."

OH!

I REMEMBER NOW!

JUN?

BLEED

THIS WAS WHERE...

YOU REALLY ...

...I MET URUMA!

...DON'T REMEMBER AT ALL, HUH?

URUMA.

T/N: YES, HE ACTUALLY CALLED URUMA BY HIS REAL NAME NOW

URUMA.

I'M QUITE FLATTERED,

YOU'RE STILL ALIVE EVEN AFTER I KILLED YOU.

KILLED?

SHI-
GO-
KU!

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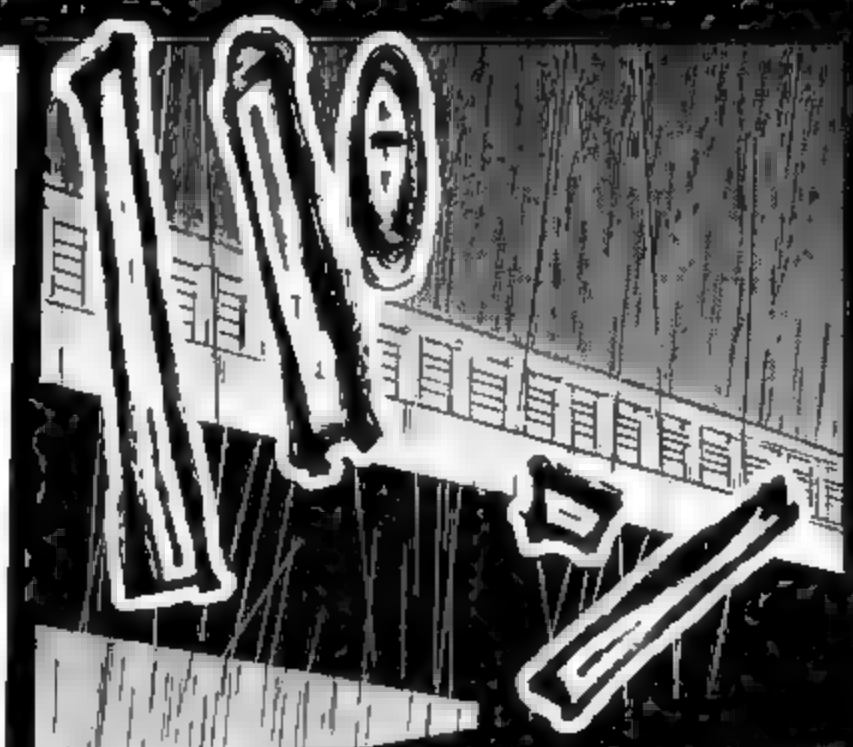
!?

WAIT!

JUN...?



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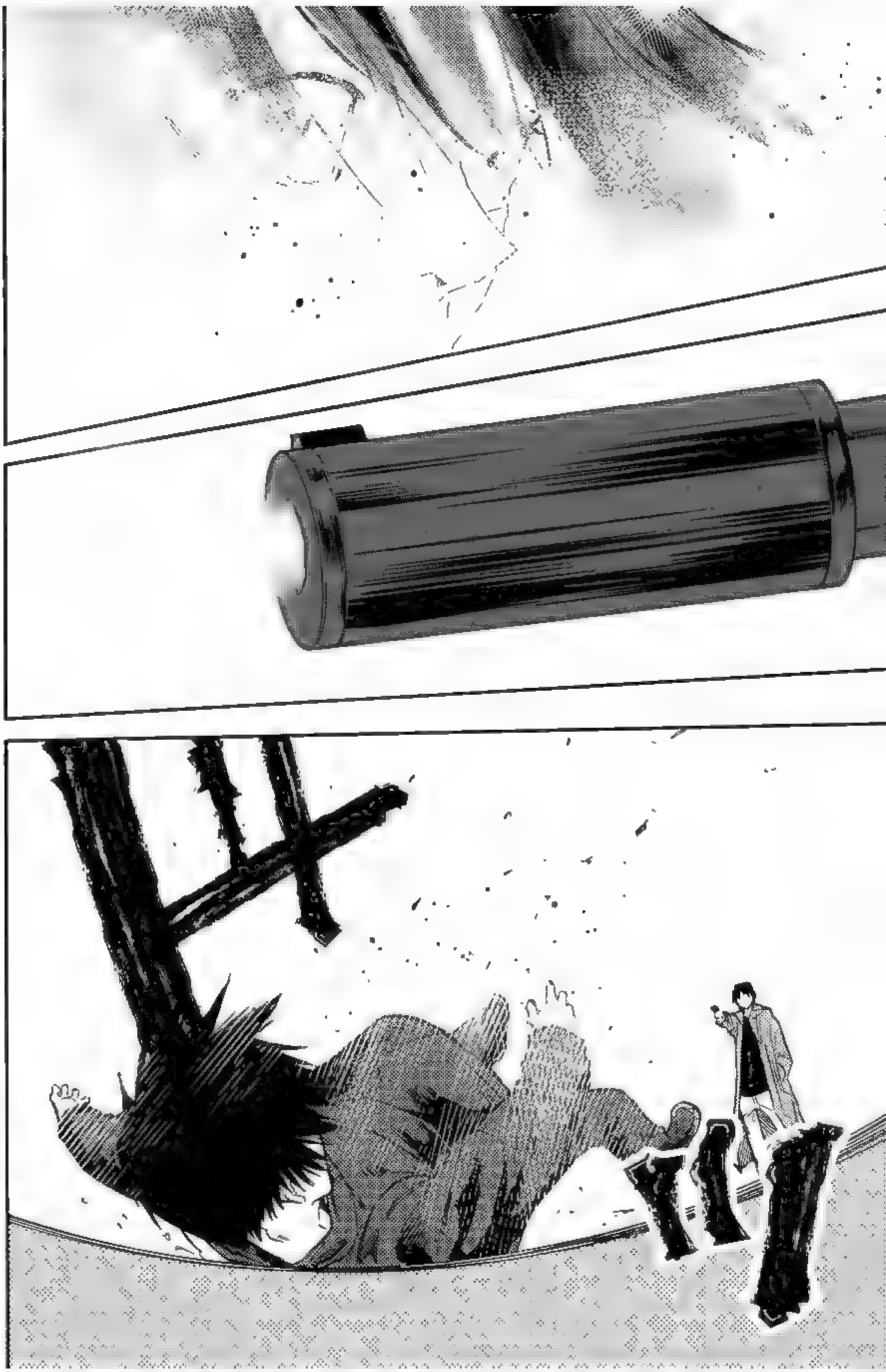
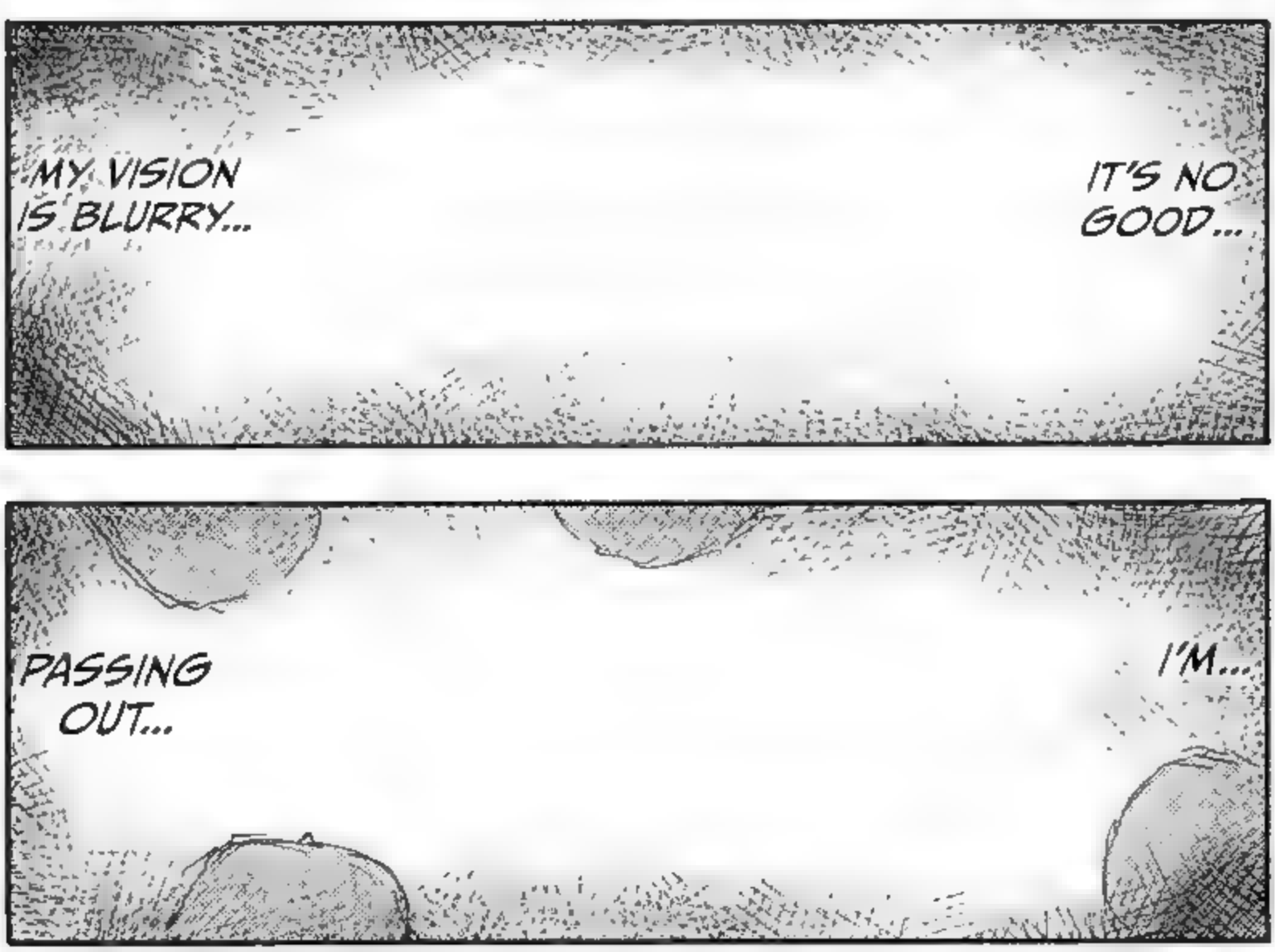
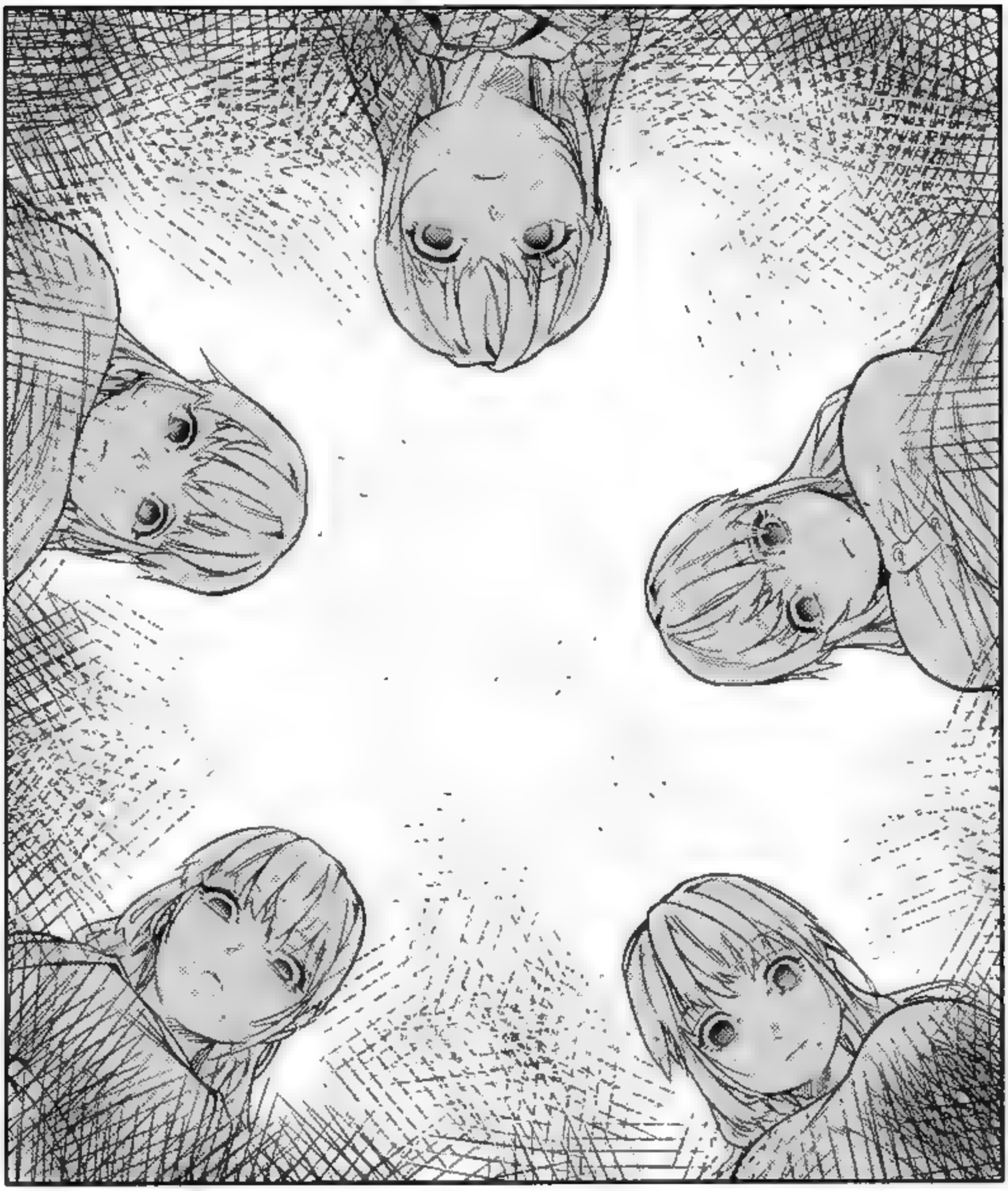
THIS...
...PLACE WAS...



TO THINK YOU LOST YOUR MEM-ORY THAT DAY!
I'M SO HAPPY!
NOW THAT'S FUNNY!


MY VISION IS BLURRY...
IT'S NO GOOD...
PASSING OUT...
I'M...



DID URUMA DIE?
NEXT CHAPTER: IS
THIS THE REALM OF
THE LIVING OR THE DEAD?!



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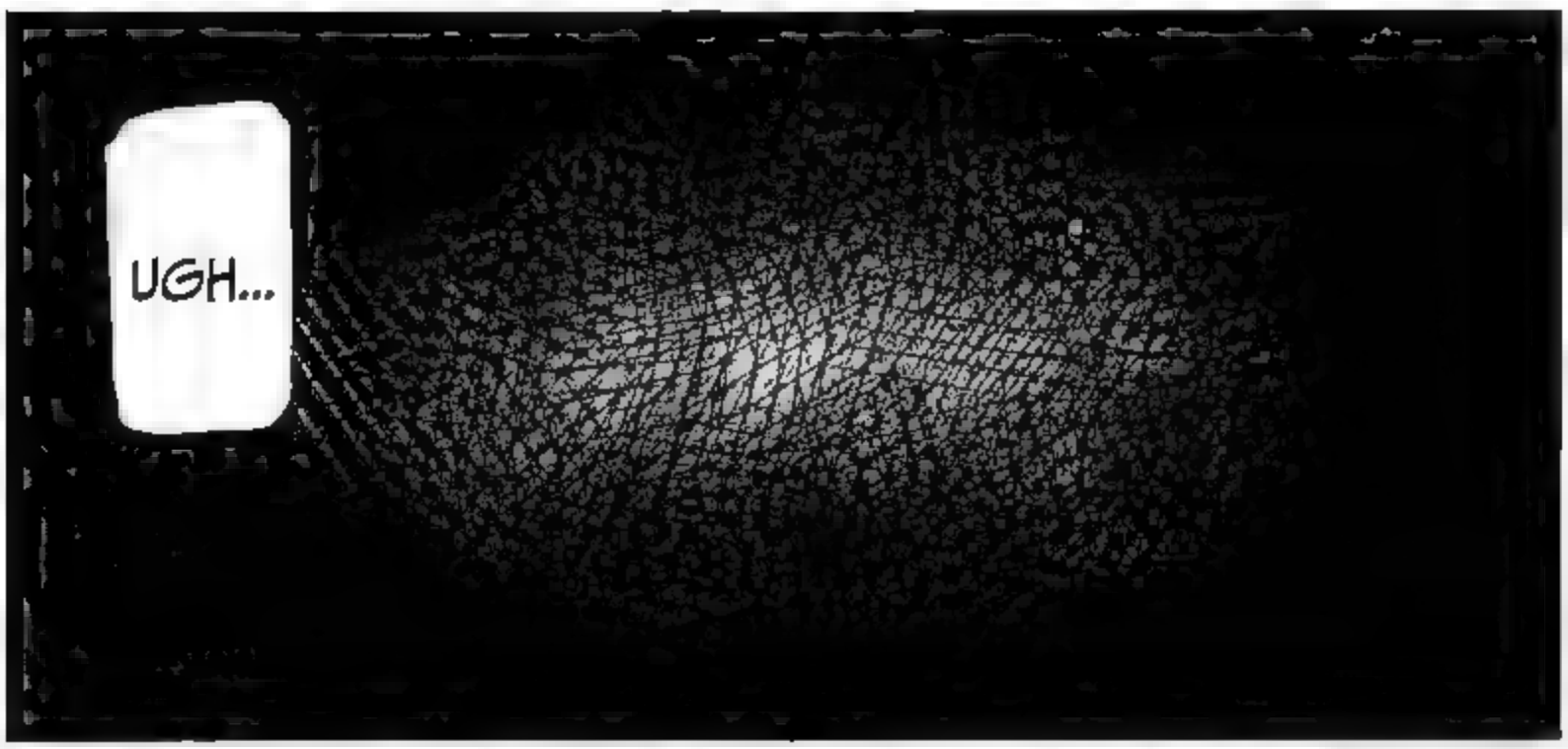


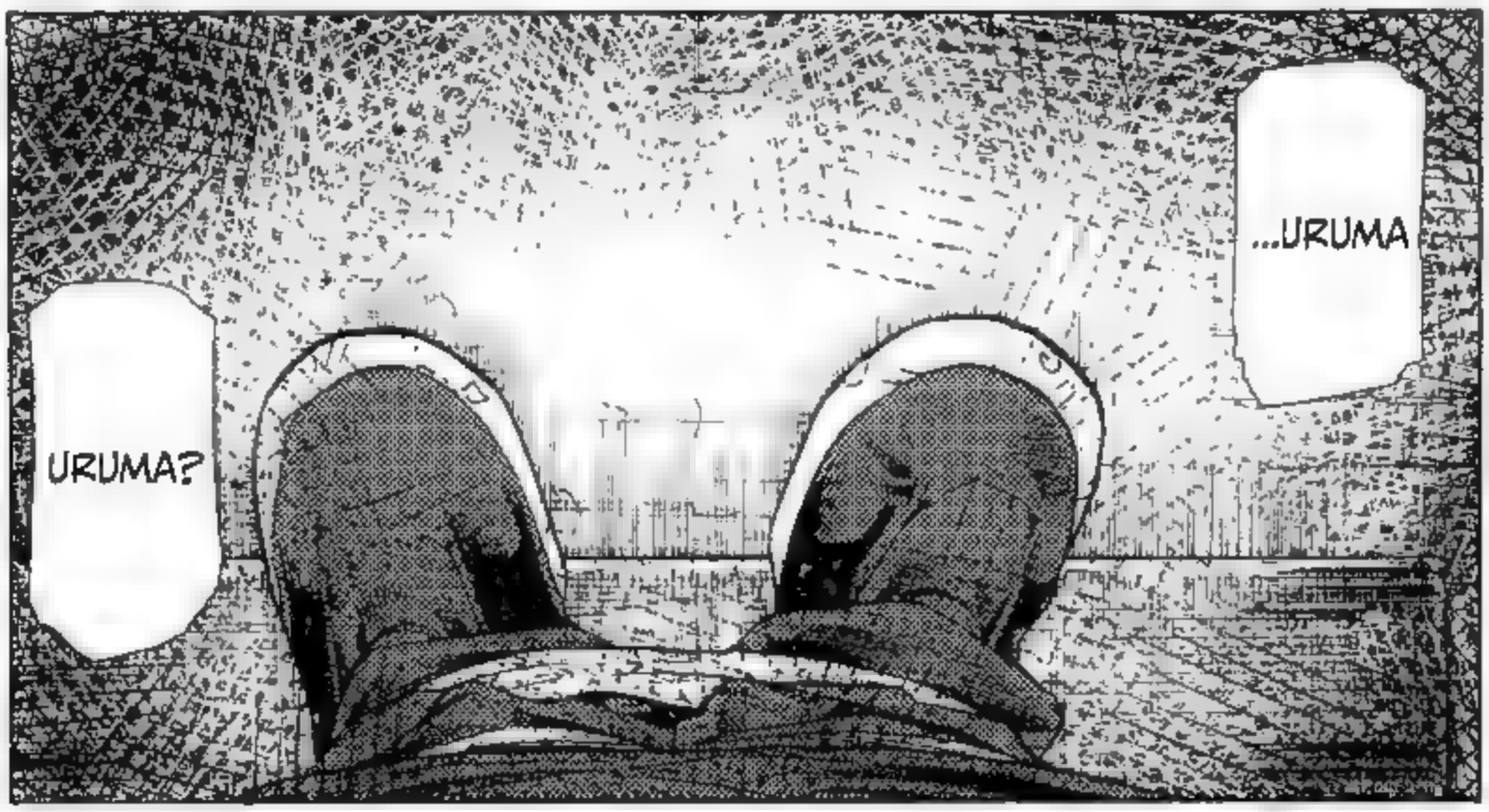


CHAPTER 149: JUN'S THEATER

W-WHAT?

I WAS DEFINITELY SHOT BY JUN...

...?

URUMA?

!

WHO WERE...

...THEY?

...HUH?

MS. OOTA?!

IT'S BEEN A WHILE...

.....

IT'S BEEN SIX YEARS SINCE

YOU CAME SNIFFING ON ME, HUH?

SO HE'S...

...URUMA SHUN?

HE'S THE MAN WHO...

...KILLED ZENICHI.

I'M ANZAI.

OOTA'S BOSS.

AND YOU ARE?

SO ARE WE INSIDE THEIR BASE?

COULD SHE MEAN...

"ANZAI"?

MOST LIKELY...

I'M SORRY, I'M SORRY.

BLAME ANZAI!

MAY I ASK HOW YOU'RE BOTH HERE AGAIN...?

UM...

TWO HOURS AGO

THE POLICE?

YES, WE'D LIKE TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS REGARDING SOME MISSING INDIVIDUALS IN THIS AREA.

MAY WE GET PERMISSION TO ENTER, PLEASE?

DO YOU HAVE A PERMIT TO INVESTIGATE HERE...?

NO, BUT WILL YOU COOP-

I'M AFRAID YOU MUST LEAVE THEN.

TSU...

THEY CUT US OFF...

WELL, HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO INVESTIGATE THEN...?

OOTA, LET'S GO.

RIGHT...

DRIVE TO THE BACK.

HUH?

WHAT ARE WE DOING?

THERE WON'T BE ANY CAMERAS AROUND HERE.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, MA'AM?! YOU LEFT A SPOT ON THE CAR!

WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIND SOME EVIDENCE UP AHEAD.

UGH.

!?

I'M SCANNING THE PLACE FOR ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS.

H-HEY! WHAT ARE YOU...

WHAT WAS THAT?

NOTHING...

SHE'S QJITE PUSHY...

JJST LIKE HER HJSBAND.

SPEAKING OF WHICH...

BUT THERE'S NO-ONE AROUND...

THIS FACILITY IS HUGE...

THEN IT'LL MAKE OUR JOB EASIER.

WHAT ARE THEY DOING IN THIS FACILITY?

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...AND IT'S IN AN UNSANITARY CONDITION...

AN OPERATING TABLE..?!

SOMEONE'S TRAPPED IN THIS ROOM!!

WHAT'S WRONG?

?

ARE YOU ALRIGHT?!

HEY, YOU!

ARE YOU ALRIGHT?!

!

!?

IT'S A SURGICAL SCAR...?

IS SHE HURT?

WHAT'S WITH HER FACE?!

NO...

!?

OOTA, LEND ME YOUR...

SUPPORT...

OOTA?!

!

GET IT TOGETHER!

OOTA?! WHAT'S WRONG?!

!

NOW THE 2 COPS ARE HERE ALSO...

THIS WILL MAKE IT HARDER TO NAV-IGATE AROUND...

...AND THEN WE PASSED OUT.

SO HERE WE ARE.

...

A FRIEND BROUGHT ME HERE.

*WHY ARE YOU HERE, URUMA?*

WHAT A "FRIEND"

HE ASKED A FAVOR FROM ME, SO I CAME.

HE'S A MEMBER OF THE REVO-LUTIONARY CLUB...

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W-
WHAT?!

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THIS PLACE ...

IT'S A THEATER?

*SFX: RAISED CURTAINS

TWO HOUSEHOLDS BOTH ALIKE IN DIGNITY...

IN FAIR VERONA, WHERE WE LAY OUR SCENE...

IS THIS...

FROM ANCIENT GRUDGE BREAK TO NEW MUTINY.

WHERE CIVIL BLOOD MAKES CIVIL HANDS UNCLEAN.

WHAT... IS IT?

THAT'S JUN'S VOICE!

A PRO-LOGUE TO...

ROMEO AND JULIET...

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

I PRESENT TO YOU...

THE CURTAIN OPENS WITH A THEATER FILLED WITH BLOODSHED...

TO BE CONTNUED!

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN...

ENJOY THE SHOW...

IT'S THE SCHOOL PLAY WE DID BACK DURING OUR HIGH SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

"ROMEO AND JULIET...?"

BUT WHY?

!

SO HE WANTS TO RE-ENACT THAT NOW?

YOUR FRIEND MUST BE REALLY SICK IN THE HEAD.

T.L/N: I'M ASSUMING THE NAME IS AN AMALGAMATION OF "KANAME" AND "PUPPET"

ONCE UPON A TIME THERE LIVES JUN AND "KANAMET".

A PAIR OF SIBLINGS WHO CARE FOR EACH OTHER...

IS THIS SUPP-OSED TO BE ROMEO AND JULIET...?

THEY CARE FOR EACH OTHER SO MUCH...

THEY PLAYED TOGE-THER.

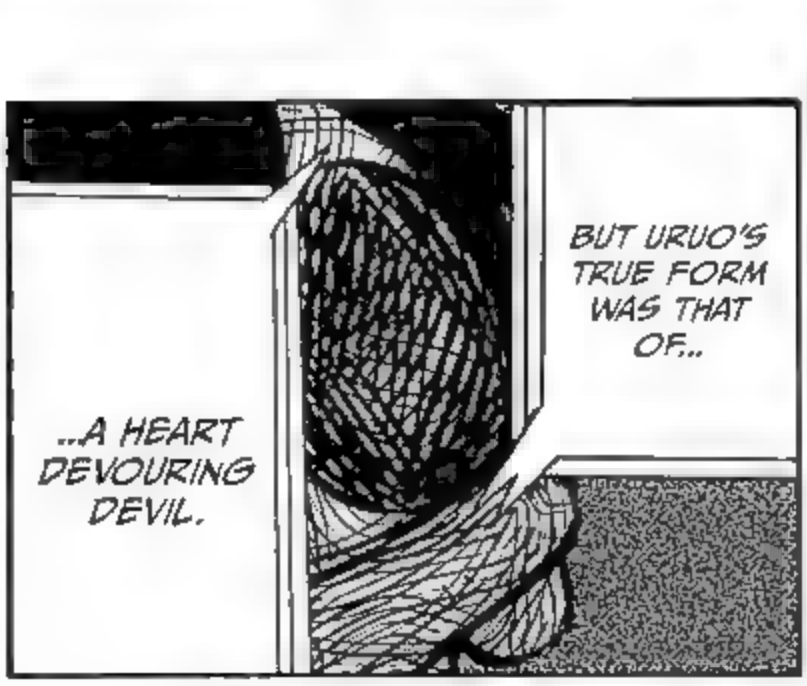
AND EVEN BATHED IN THE SAME TUB TO-GETHER.

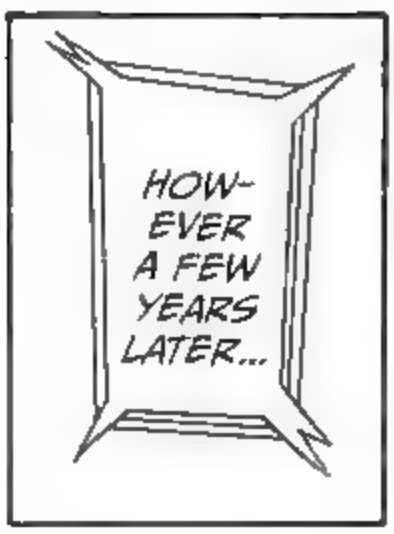
THEY READ THE SAME BOOKS...

THEY EAT THE SAME MEALS...

BUT THEN SOMETHING GOT IN THE WAY OF THEIR BOND.

T/N URUO S AN ALTERNATE SPELLING OF "URUMAN" N JAPANESE





THIS IS...

MET EACH OTHER AGAIN IN HIGH SCHOOL.

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THEY ONCE AGAIN...

A STORY OF "URUMA SHUN" THE DEPLORABLE BEAST.

THIS STORY IS DEDICATED TO MAKE HIM UNDERSTAND THE PAIN I WENT THROUGH.

JUN SHIRA-KAWA...?

YOUR FRIEND... COULD IT BE...

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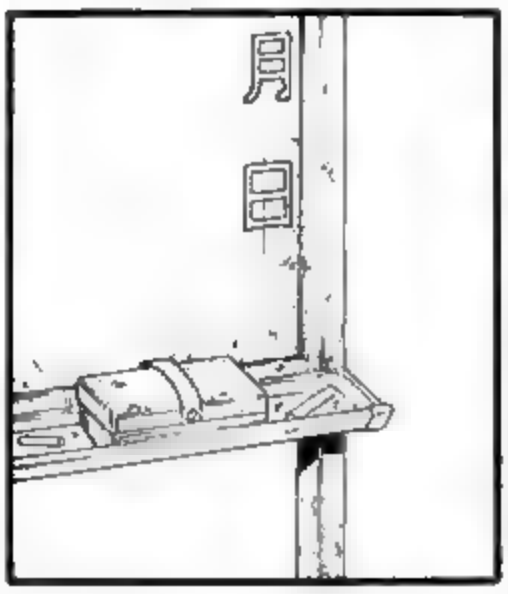
URUO,
LONG TIME NO SEE.

A SCHOOL SETTING, HUH?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HE SURE DID PUT A LOT OF EFFORT INTO THIS.

...ELE-
MENTARY
SCHOOL.

...EVER
SINCE...

REPLI-
CATED
FACES?

KANA-
ME...?

URUMA
AND...

HOWEVER, HE THEN SAID...

SORRY,

KANAMET, UNAWARE OF URUO'S TRUE FORM

APPROACHED HIM CLOSER AND CLOSER.

HE FEIGNED IGNORANCE IN ORDER TO LET HER GUARD DOWN!

DISGUS-TING!!!

HAVE WE MET BEFORE?

SEVERAL DAYS LATER...

JUST LIKE THAT DAY...

THEY BOTH GOT INVOLVED IN A CLASS PLAY FOR "ROMEO AND JULIET"
EACH OF THEM PORTRAYING THEIR RESPECTIVE ROLES.

AND DURING THE REHERSAL...
URUO STARTED RELENTLESSLY MAKING ADVANCES TOWARDS KANAMET!
UTTERLY DISGUSTING!!
ON THAT DAY A TRAGEDY OCCURED...
..AND KANAMET WAS VIOLATED BY A THUG!

NO I DIDN'T!

KANAMET.

URUO AT THE SAME TIME...

...APPRO-ACHED KANAMET

URUO...

...AND PRETENDED TO GET CLOSE TO HER!

URUO THEN SWEET TALKED HER...

LOVE HOTEL

HOTEL

...INTO A LOVE HOTEL!

AND HE TURNED KANAMET...

ORA! ORA! ORA!

I'M RAPING YOU!!

HAA NGH!

INTO HIS SEX SLAVE!

HEUT!

AH!

THEY ACTUALLY DID IT?!

WHAT?!

THAT'S ALL A LIE! IT'S NOT TRUE!

HOW WOULD THAT BENEFIT ME IF I DID?!

BECAUSE OF THIS,

THE LOVESICK KANAMET HAD MET AN UNFORTUNATE END...

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WHAT'S THAT SOUND?

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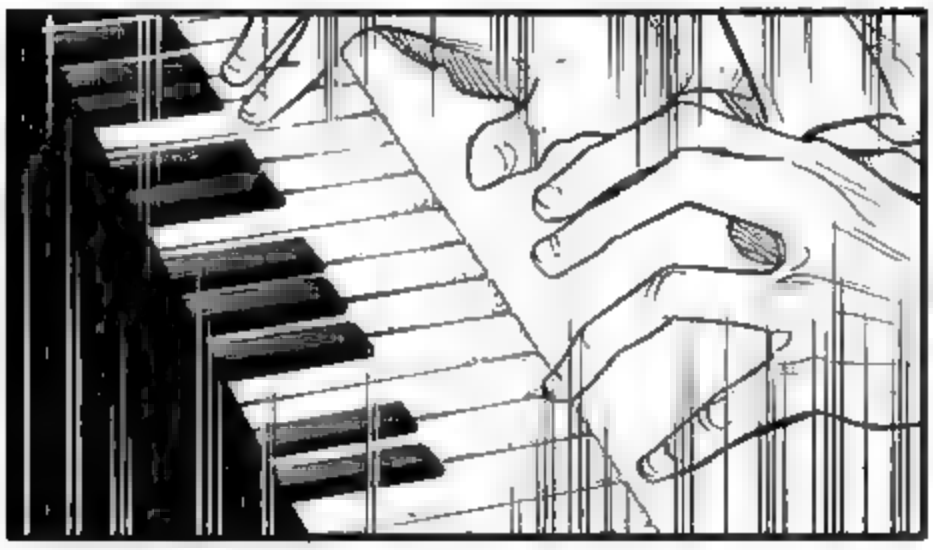

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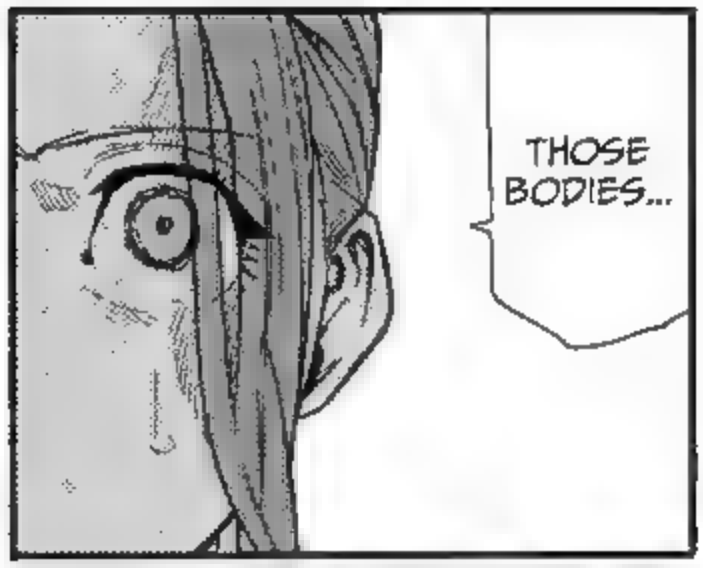
THOSE BODIES...

THEY'RE CORPSES NOW, RIGHT?

HOW TRAGIC...
THE REASON WHY KANAME MET HER UNFORTUNATE END...!

Ah..

JUN...

IT'S

ALL BECAUSE OF YOU, URUMA!!

SO THIS GUY IS KANAME'S-

JUN...

I DECIDED TO EXACT MY RE-VENGE.

AND THUS...

AS I LOST KANAME, I FELL INTO DESPAIR.

SNAP OUT OF IT!

YOU WERE GASLIT BY KYOU AND MOMOKI!

IN ORDER TO FILL THAT VOID IN MY HEART, I WORKED MY FINGER TO THE BONES AS A CLUB MEMBER.

AND EVENTUALLY, I EARNED THE HIGHEST PRESTIGE IN THE CLUB.

THAT'S WHEN I MET...

THE REVO-LUTION-ARY CLUB.

WHAT?

WHAT IS IT THAT YOU WANT?!

IT'S...

...

EVEN SO...

I STILL COULDN'T FILL THAT VOID...

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*THAT'S RIGHT.*

AMONGST ALL THE DEVOTEES OF THE REVOLUTIONARY CLUB, I TURNED ALL THE "KANAME'S" INTO "MY KANAME'S"!

SO THAT I COULD CREATE...

...ALL THE POSSIBLE FUTURE TIMELINES OF WHAT...

MY DECEASED KANAME COULD'VE BEEN!!

THAT VOID WAS...

KANAME ALL ALONG!!

KANAME THAT WORKS AT THE CAFE JUN PASSES BY.
KANAME AS JUN'S TUTOR.
KANAME AS JUN'S BUSINESS PARTNER.
KANAME AS JUN'S JUNIOR MIDDLE SCHOO-LER.
KANAME AS JUN'S YOUNGER SISTER.
KANAME AS JUN'S MOTHER.

I NOW HAVE ENOUGH...

KANAME'S FOR MY-SELF.

NEXT WILL BE..

TO MAKE URUMA SUFFER TO DEATH.

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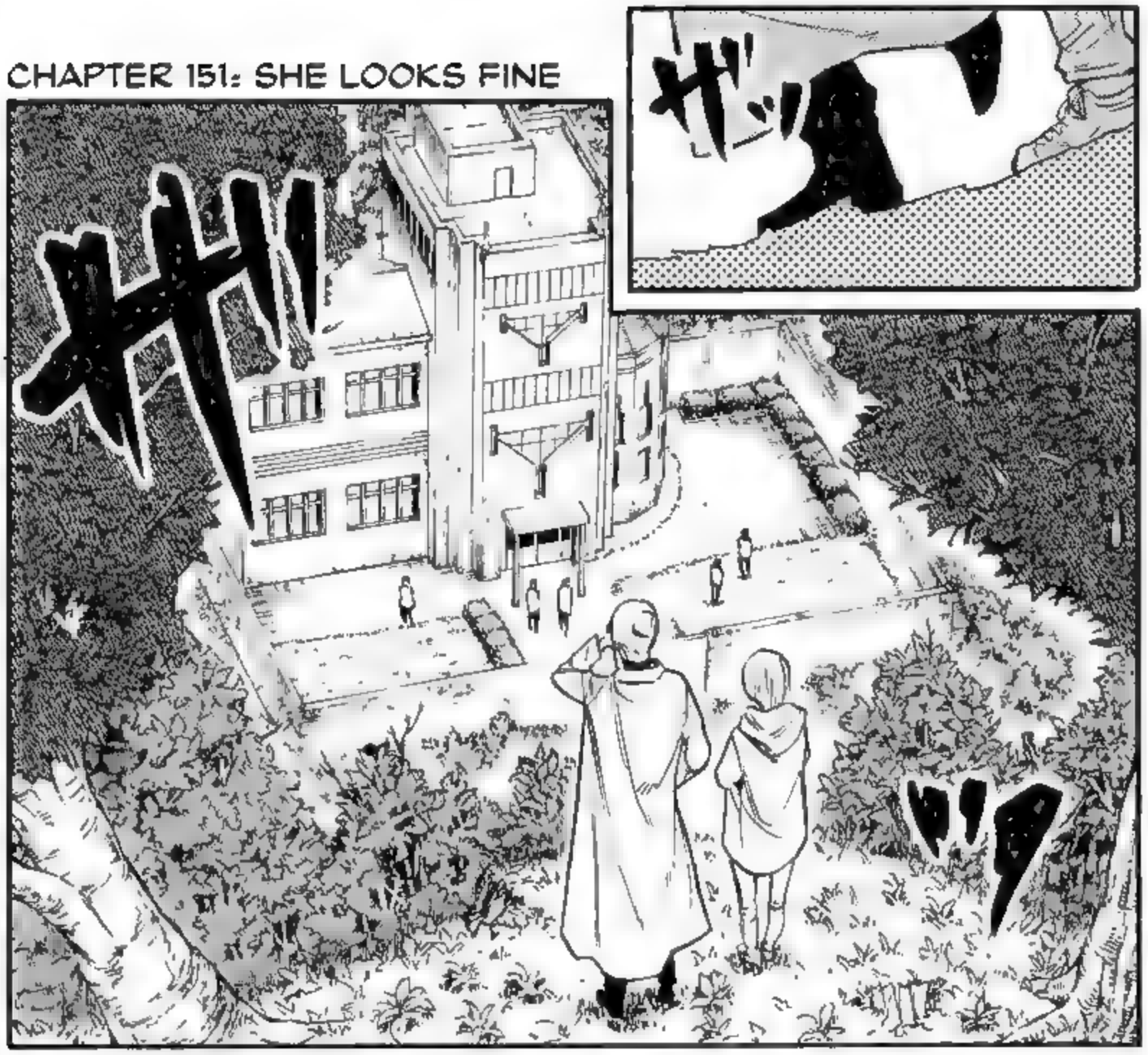
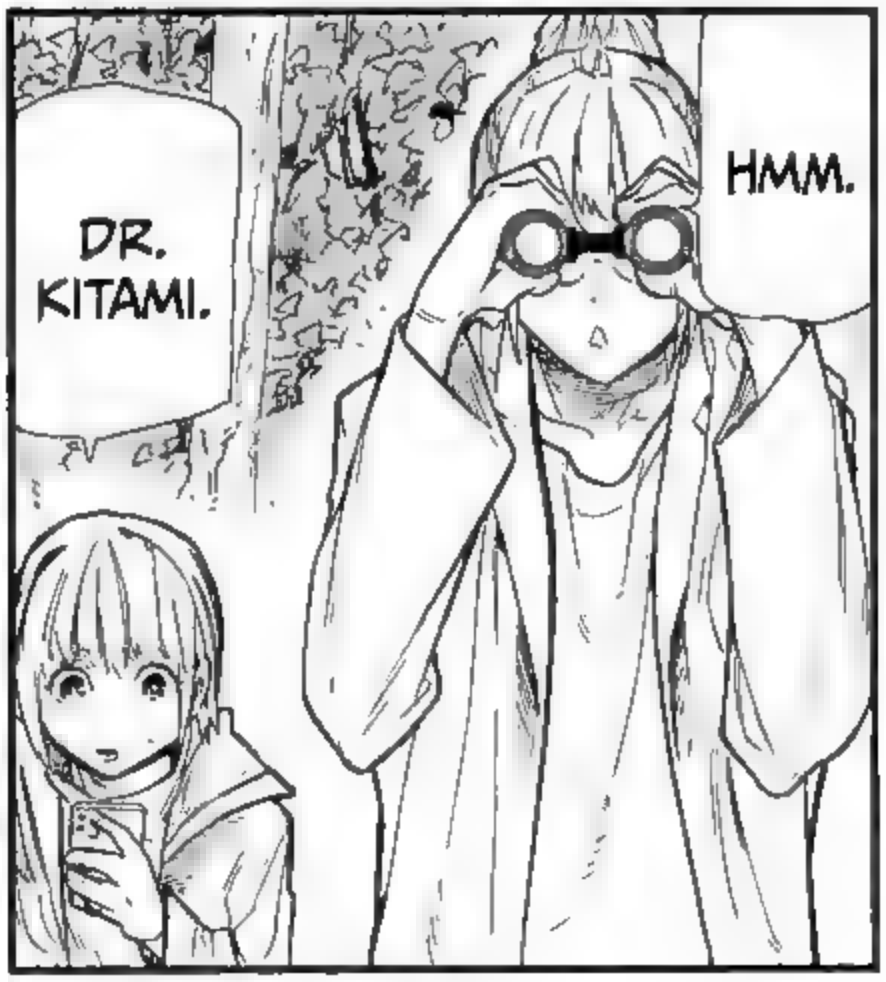
HE'S INSANE.

NEXT CHAPTER: THE TRAGEDY NEVER STOPS!

TO BE CONTINUED!

# CHAPTER 151: SHE LOOKS FINE





I'M KIND OF WORRIED SO I WANTED TO GO TOO...

I SEE...

...IN FACT, THIS WHOLE PLACE IS FILLED WITH SECURITY.

BUT THIS PLACE ISN'T AS EMPTY AS THEY SAID...

URUMA...

THIS SEEMS LIKE A TOUGH CROWD.

WHADYA' THINK?
URUMA.

THESE ARE...
...MY KANAMES.

...

NO WAY...

JUN!

THEY ALL ACTUALLY WENT UNDER PLASTIC SURGERY.

I WAS LYING ABOUT THE BURN RECOVERY PART.

REMEMBER KANAME MATSUSHIMA? THE GIRL THAT APPROACHED YOU BEFORE.

HEY, COME HERE.

OH, BY THE WAY.

SHE LOOKS FINE,

DON'T YOU THINK?

THIS HERE...

IS THE "SEX PARTNER" KANAME.

JUN...

HOW FAR HAVE YOU FALLEN?

THEY HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS!

THIS IS A PROBLEM BETWEEN YOU AND ME!

"BRAIN-WASHING"? I'M STILL KANAME THOUGH?

JUN'S PROBLEM IS MY PROBLEM TOO.

SAME HERE.

RIGHT?

WHAT'S HE TALKING ABOUT...?

RIGHT——!!

DO YOU GET IT NOW, URUMA?!

WE ALL ENDED UP HERE BECAUSE OF YOU!!

I DON'T EXACTLY KNOW YOUR SITUATION.

BUT YOU'D BE IN TROUBLE FOR TRYING TO INVOLVE US HERE.

WE'RE DETECTIVES WORKING FOR THE POLICE DEPART-MENT.

IF WE GO MISSING, THEY'LL START HUNTING YOU DOWN.

*THAT'LL BE THE END OF YOU AND YOUR "CLUB".*

END OF MY CLUB, YOU SAY?

KU KU KU

THEN GO AHEAD AND TRY!

I STARTED THIS MESS SO THAT I COULD FINISH IT ALL MYSELF ANYWAY!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT I PLAN TO DO...

...ONCE EVERY-THING IS OVER.

BUT, HOW-EVER...

...SINCE WE'RE REACHING THE END...

THIS WILL BE A FITTING END.

WHO COULD THIS PERSON BE...?

...I WANT URUMA TO HAVE A TASTE OF MY PAIN...

...SO LET'S MOVE ON TO THE FINALE, SHALL WE?

URUMA...

AZUMA!

AZUMA

CHIZURU!

WHO IS SHE?

IT'S HIS CLASS-MATE.

I COULDN'T DO THIS ANY OTHER WAY.

I NEED HER ANY-WAY.

STOP IT! SHE DID NOTHING TOWARDS YOU!

LEAVE HER ALONE!

YOU'LL HAVE TO LOSE THE SAME THING I DID.

I'VE LOST MY MOST BELOVED KANAME.

URUMA

WHAT'S... HAPPENING...?

WHAT'S GOING ON...?

I DID ALL MY HOMEWORK ON AZUMA BEFOREHAND. SEEMS SHE HAS GROWN UP INTO ONE FINE WOMAN.

WELL, NOT ON THE SAME LEVEL AS KANAME THOUGH.

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WELL... FIRST THINGS FIRST.

LET GO OF ME!

KYAA!!

I'LL MAKE YOU SUFFER THE SAME WAY...

...FOR TURNING MY KANAME INTO A SEX SLAVE.

STOP THIS!!

JUN!

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!!!

THAT HURTS_
STOP IT_ JUN..

EEK!

STOP!!!

I'M...
...NOT DONE WITH YOU YET.
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LET'S MAKE AZUMA LOOK LIKE KANAME.

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NOW...

"LIKE... HER...!?

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HELP_
ME_

R/JUUJIKA_NO_ROKUNIN

TO BE CONTINUED!